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November 10, 2004

TO: All Potential Bidders

RE: RFP #: 05-X-35739

RFP Title: Computer Peripherals, Software and LAN/WAN Products

THIS RFP IS THE FIRST OF THREE TO REPLACE THE CURRENT MINICOMPUTERS, MICROCOMPUTERS, WORKSTATIONS AND ASSOCIATED PRODUCTS.

a) New Business Registration Requirements – This is a change from previous requirements. Failure to submit a copy of your Business Registration Certificate (or interim registration) from the Division of Revenue with the Bid Proposal shall be cause for automatic rejection of the bid proposal.

b) In accordance with Executive Order 134, the attached Certification form must be completed and returned with the Bid Proposal. Failure to submit the Certification(s) with the Bid Proposal shall be cause for automatic rejection of the bid proposal.

c) Set-Asides - Even if you are an incumbent bidder and/or have been previously registered or certified under the former sbe/mbe/wbe program, you will need to be sure that you are registered with the Commerce Commission on the day of bid receipt and opening under the new, small business program to be eligible for award. The telephone number to call to check your status is 609 292-2146.

Enclosed please find a complete set of bid documents for the above referenced solicitation. The following are the key dates for the project:

Date	Time	Event
12/06/04	4:00 PM	Deadline for Submission of Electronic Questions to: Marianne.Bixler@treas.state.nj.us
12/15/04	2:00 PM	Bid Submission Due Date (Refer to RFP Section 1.3.4 for more information)

All questions concerning the RFP contents and the bidding process must be directed to the undersigned.

Sincerely,
Marianne Bixler
Administrative Analyst
E-Mail Address: Marianne.Bixler@treas.state.nj.us
Phone: 609-292-2194

ATTENTION VENDORS

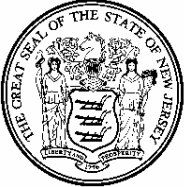
Vendor Information and Bidding Opportunities

The Purchase Bureau maintains a bidders' mailing list. You as a vendor may have basic information about your firm added to the bidder's mailing list by visiting our website at <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/bidmaillist.htm> and submitting a bidders' mailing list application online. You may also download the application and instructions and submit the application by mail. Applications submitted online are processed more quickly than mailed applications.

A bidders' mailing list application gives you the opportunity to identify yourself as a potential bidder for the types of goods and services that your firm provides. The Purchase Bureau attempts (but does not guarantee) to provide firms on the bidders mailing list with notice of bidding opportunities related to the goods and services identified in the application.

If you are already on the Purchase Bureau's bidders' mailing list and you need to change your information, contact Bid List Management at (609) 984-5396

Note: If you are an awarded State contractor and payments are not being directed to your proper remit-to address, you must send a letter on company letterhead to the Office Of Management and Budget, Vendor Control Unit, PO Box 221, Trenton, NJ 08625 or fax that letter to 609-292-4882. In the letter you must include the current incorrect remit to address and your new correct remit-to address. If you have any question about this process you may call (609) 292-8124 for more information.

	STATE OF NEW JERSEY REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL	BID NUMBER: 05-X-35739
	FOR: Computer Peripherals, Software and LAN/WAN Products	TERM CONTRACT #: T-1907 REQUESTING AGENCY: Statewide
	ESTIMATED AMOUNT: \$25,000,000.00 CONTRACT EFFECTIVE DATE: 2/01/05 CONTRACT EXPIRATION DATE: 1/31/07 COOPERATIVE PURCHASING: YES SET ASIDE: SEE RFP SECTION 4.4.1.4	<u>DIRECT QUESTIONS CONCERNING THIS RFP TO:</u> BUYER NAME: Marianne Bixler PHONE NUMBER: 609-292-2194 FAX NUMBER 609-292-2194 E-MAIL ADDRESS: Marianne.Bixler@treas.state.nj.us

TO BE COMPLETED BY BIDDER:

Firm Name: _____

Address: _____

PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 52:34 - 12 AND N.J.A.C. 17:12 - 2.2, PROPOSALS WHICH FAIL TO CONFORM WITH THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY REJECTED:

- 1) **PROPOSALS MUST BE RECEIVED AT OR ON BEFORE THE PUBLIC OPENING TIME OF 2 PM ON 12/15/04 AT THE FOLLOWING PLACE: DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY, PURCHASE BUREAU, PO BOX-230, 33 WEST STATE STREET, 9TH FLOOR, TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625-0230. TELEPHONE, TELEFACSIMILE OR TELEGRAPH PROPOSALS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**
- 2) THE BIDDER MUST SIGN THE PROPOSAL.
- 3) THE PROPOSAL MUST INCLUDE ALL PRICE INFORMATION. PROPOSAL PRICES SHALL INCLUDE DELIVERY OF ALL ITEMS, F.O.B. DESTINATION OR AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED. PRICE QUOTES MUST BE FIRM THROUGH ISSUANCE OF CONTRACT.
- 4) ALL PROPOSAL PRICES MUST BE TYPED OR WRITTEN IN INK.
- 5) ALL CORRECTIONS, WHITE-OUTS, ERASURES, RESTRIKING OF TYPE, OR OTHER FORMS OF ALTERATION, OR THE APPEARANCE OF ALTERATION, TO UNIT AND/OR TOTAL PRICES MUST BE INITIALED IN INK BY THE BIDDER.
- 6) THE BIDDER MUST SUBMIT WITH THE PROPOSAL BID SECURITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ **N/A** OR **N/A** %.
 CHECK THE TYPE OF BID SECURITY SUPPLIED:
 ANNUAL BID BOND ON FILE: _____ BID BOND ATTACHED: _____
 CERTIFIED OR CASHIERS CHECK ATTACHED: _____ LETTER OF CREDIT ATTACHED: _____
- 7) THE BIDDER MUST COMPLETE AND SUBMIT, PRIOR TO THE SUBMISSION OF THE PROPOSAL, OR ACCOMPANYING THE PROPOSAL, THE ATTACHED OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM. (SEE N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2). [SEE ATTACHMENT 1](#)
- 8) THE BIDDER MUST ATTEND THE MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE(S) AND SITE VISIT(S) AT THE FOLLOWING DATE(S) AND TIME(S):
 PRE-BID CONFERENCE _____
 SITE INSPECTION _____

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

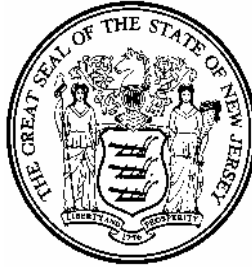
- 9) PERFORMANCE SECURITY: **N/A** OR **N/A** %
- 10) PAYMENT RETENTION **N/A** %
- 11) AN AFFIRMATION ACTION FORM ([ATTACHMENT 3 OF RFP](#))
- 12) A MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES CERTIFICATION ([ATTACHMENT 2 OF RFP](#))
- 13) REQUESTED DELIVERY: SEE DETAILS ELSEWHERE IN RFP
- 14) CERTIFICATION OR NOTIFICATION OF REGISTRATION WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE IF A FOREIGN (NON-NJ) CORPORATION, IF NECESSARY (SEE N.J.S.A 14A:13-1 ET SEQ. AND N.J.A.C. 17:12-2.12).
- 15) FOR SET ASIDE CONTRACTS ONLY, N.J. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE REGISTRATION AS A SMALL BUSINESS (SEE N.J.A.C. 17:13-1.1 et. seq.).

TO BE COMPLETED BY BIDDER

- 16) DELIVERY CAN BE MADE _____ DAYS OR _____ WEEKS AFTER RECEIPT OF ORDER.
- 17) CASH DISCOUNT TERMS (SEE RFP) _____ %, _____ DAYS: NET _____ DAYS.
- 18) BIDDER PHONE NO: _____
- 19) BIDDER FAX NO. _____
- 20) BIDDER E-MAIL ADDRESS. _____
- 21) BIDDER FEDERAL ID NO. _____
- 22) YOUR BID REFERENCE NO. _____

SIGNATURE OF THE BIDDER ATTESTS THAT THE BIDDER HAS READ, UNDERSTANDS, AND AGREES TO ALL TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND SPECIFICATIONS SET FORTH IN THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL, INCLUDING ALL ADDENDA, FURTHERMORE, SIGNATURE BY THE BIDDER SIGNIFIES THAT THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL AND THE RESPONSIVE PROPOSAL CONSTITUTES A CONTRACT IMMEDIATELY UPON NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF THE PROPOSAL BY THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR ANY OR ALL OF THE ITEMS BID, AND FOR THE LENGTH OF TIME INDICATED IN THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL. FAILURE TO ACCEPT THE CONTRACT WITHIN THE TIME PERIOD INDICATED IN THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL, OR FAILURE TO HOLD PRICES OR TO MEET ANY OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS DEFINED IN EITHER THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL OR THE PROPOSAL DURING THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT, SHALL CONSTITUTE A BREACH AND MAY RESULT IN SUSPENSION OR DEBARMENT FROM FURTHER STATE BIDDING. A DEFAULTING CONTRACTOR MAY ALSO BE LIABLE, AT THE OPTION OF THE STATE, FOR THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE CONTRACT PRICE AND THE PRICE BID BY AN ALTERNATE VENDOR OF THE GOODS OR SERVICES IN ADDITION TO OTHER REMEDIES AVAILABLE.

23) ORIGINAL SIGNATURE OF BIDDER	24) NAME OF FIRM
25) PRINT/TYPE NAME AND TITLE	26) DATE



Bid Number: 05-X-35739

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR:

**COMPUTER PERIPHERALS, SOFTWARE AND LAN/WAN
PRODUCTS**

Date Issued: November 10, 2004

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Using Agency
State of New Jersey
Various State Agencies

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1.0 Information for Bidders

1.1 PURPOSE AND INTENT

This Request For Proposal (RFP) is issued by the Purchase Bureau, Division of Purchase and Property, Department of the Treasury, on behalf of the State of New Jersey. The purpose of this RFP is to solicit proposals from qualified bidders for computer peripherals, software and LAN/WAN products.

The intent of this RFP is to award contracts to those responsible bidders whose bids, conforming to this invitation for bids, are most advantageous to the State, price, and other factors considered.

Bidders must be able to meet the product and service demands of this contract that is to be used by the State of New Jersey and members of cooperative purchasing (e.g., State and political sub-divisions thereof.) This reporting requirement includes sales to State Using Agencies and, if permitted under the terms of the contract, sales to counties, municipalities, school districts, volunteer fire departments, first aid squads and rescue squads, and independent institutions of higher education. The requirement also includes sales to State and County Colleges and Quasi-State Agencies. Quasi-State Agencies include any agency, commission, board, authority or other such governmental entity which is established and is allocated to a State department or any bi-state governmental entity (e.g., Port Authority) of which the State of New Jersey is a member).

ALTHOUGH THE STATE, WITH THE ASSENT OF THE VENDOR(S), IS MAKING THE USE OF ANY CONTRACT RESULTING FROM THIS RFP AVAILABLE TO NON-STATE AGENCIES, THE STATE MAKES NO REPRESENTATION AS TO THE ACCEPTABILITY OF ANY STATE RFP TERMS AND CONDITIONS UNDER THE LOCAL PUBLIC CONTRACTS LAW OR ANY OTHER ENABLING STATUTE OR REGULATION.

1.2 BACKGROUND

Most recently, the State utilized the "Minicomputer, Microcomputer, Workstation and Associated Products" term contract. That contract contained a section for each of minicomputers, workstations, microcomputers, LAN products and LAN services, and stand-alone products for microcomputers and workstations. This RFP represents a new term contract intended to replace the LAN products, and stand-alone products sections (section 4) of the prior contract.

The LAN services section of the contract will be encompassed in the IT Consulting Services Contract (T-0817).

Services are available under this contract only when those services are required for the primary installation of the product acquired. Services must be purchased at the same time as the product. The service cost per line must be bid on lines 163 and 164. All other services must be purchased from the Professional Services Contract(s).

1.3 KEY EVENTS

1.3.1 ELECTRONIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

It is the policy of the Purchase Bureau to accept questions and inquiries from all potential bidders receiving this RFP. The cut-off date for all questions is ten (10) business days before the bid open date.

Written questions should be e-mailed to the Purchase Bureau to the attention of the assigned Purchase Bureau buyer at the following address:

Marianne Bixler
E-Mail: Marianne.Bixler@treas.state.nj.us

After the submission of bid proposals, unless requested by the State, contact with the State is limited to status inquiries only and such inquiries are only to be directed to the buyer. Any further contact or information about the proposal to the buyer or any other State official connected with the solicitation will be considered an impermissible supplementation of the bidder's bid proposal.

1.3.1 QUESTION PROTOCOL

Questions should be submitted in writing to the attention of the assigned Purchase Bureau buyer. Written questions should be directly tied to the RFP by the writer. Questions should be asked in consecutive order, from beginning to end, following the organization of the RFP. Each question should begin by referencing the RFP page number and section number to which it relates.

The cut-off date for all questions will be December 6, 2004.

1.3.2 MANDATORY SITE VISIT - NOT APPLICABLE TO THIS PROCUREMENT.

1.3.3 MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE - NOT APPLICABLE TO THIS PROCUREMENT

1.3.4 DOCUMENT REVIEW ROOM - NOT APPLICABLE TO THIS PROCUREMENT.

1.4 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1.4.1 REVISIONS TO THIS RFP

In the event that it becomes necessary to clarify or revise this RFP, such clarification or revision will be by addendum.

ALL RFP ADDENDA WILL BE ISSUED ON THE PURCHASE BUREAU WEB SITE. TO ACCESS ADDENDA THE BIDDER MUST SELECT THE BID NUMBER ON THE PURCHASE BUREAU BIDDING OPPORTUNITIES WEB PAGE AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

[HTTP://WWW.STATE.NJ.US/TREASURY/PURCHASE/BID/SUMMARY/BID.SHTML](http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/bid/summary/bid.shtml)

There are no designated dates for release of addenda. Therefore interested bidders should check the Purchase Bureau "Bidding Opportunities" website on a daily basis from time of RFP issuance through bid opening.

It is the sole responsibility of the bidder to be knowledgeable of all addenda related to this procurement.

1.4.2 ADDENDUM AS A PART OF THIS RFP

Any addendum to this RFP shall become part of this RFP and part of any contract resulting from this RFP.

1.4.3 ISSUING OFFICE

This RFP is issued by the Purchase Bureau, Division of Purchase and Property. The buyer noted in Section 1.3.1 is the sole point of contact between the bidder and the State for purposes of this RFP.

1.4.4 BIDDER RESPONSIBILITY

The bidder assumes sole responsibility for the complete effort required in this RFP. No special consideration shall be given after bids are opened because of a bidder's failure to be knowledgeable of all

the requirements of this RFP. By submitting a proposal in response to this RFP, the bidder represents that it has satisfied itself, from its own investigation, of all of the requirements of this RFP.

1.4.5 COST LIABILITY

The State assumes no responsibility and bears no liability for costs incurred by bidders in the preparation and submission of proposals in response to this RFP.

1.4.6 CONTENTS OF BID PROPOSAL

The entire content of every bid proposal will be publicly opened and becomes a public record. This is the case notwithstanding any statement to the contrary made by a bidder in its bid proposal.

All bid proposals, as public records, are available for public inspection. Interested parties can make an appointment to inspect bid proposals received in response to this RFP with the Purchase Bureau buyer.

1.4.7 PRICE ALTERATION

Bid prices must be typed or written in ink. Any price change (including "white-outs") must be initialed. Failure to initial price changes may preclude an award being made to the bidder.

1.4.8 JOINT VENTURE

If a joint venture is submitting a bid, the agreement between the parties relating to such joint venture should be submitted with the joint venture's proposal. Authorized signatories from each party comprising the joint venture must sign the bid proposal. A separate Ownership Disclosure Form, Affirmative Action Employee Information Report, MacBride Principles Certification, and business registration must be supplied for each party to a joint venture.

2.0 DEFINITIONS

The following definitions shall be part of any contract awarded or order placed as result of this RFP.

Addendum – Written clarification or revision to this RFP issued by the Purchase Bureau.

Amendment – A change in the scope of work to be performed by the contractor. An amendment is not effective until it is signed by the Director, Division of Purchase and Property.

Bidder - An individual or business entity submitting a bid proposal in response to this RFP.

Contract - This RFP, any addendum to this RFP, and the bidder's proposal submitted in response to this RFP, as accepted by the State.

Contractor - The contractor is the bidder awarded a contract.

Director - Director, Division of Purchase and Property, Department of the Treasury. By statutory authority, the Director is the chief contracting officer for the State of New Jersey.

Division - The Division of Purchase and Property

Evaluation Committee - A committee established by the Director to review and evaluate bid proposals submitted in response to this RFP and to recommend a contract award to the Director.

May - Denotes that which is permissible, not mandatory.

Purchase Bureau – The entity issuing this RFP.

Project - The undertaking or services that are the subject of this RFP.

Request for Proposal (RFP) – This document, which establishes the bidding and contract requirements and solicits bid proposals to meet the purchase needs of the using Agencies as identified herein.

Shall or Must – Denotes that which is a mandatory requirement. Failure to meet a mandatory requirement will result in the rejection of a bid proposal as materially non-responsive.

Should - Denotes that which is recommended, not mandatory.

State Contract Manager – The individual responsible for the approval of all deliverables, i.e., tasks, sub-tasks or other work elements in the Scope of Work.

Subtasks – Detailed activities that comprise the actual performance of a task.

State - State of New Jersey.

Task – A discrete unit of work to be performed.

Using Agency or Agency - The entity for which the Division has issued this RFP and will enter into a contract.

2.1 CONTRACT SPECIFIC DEFINITIONS

AIR CARD – a plug in device that permits the transmission of voice or data via the cellular network.

INSTALLATION – The physical hook up and diagnostic testing of an item prior to the acceptance of the purchasing or maintaining agency.

LAN – Local Area Networking – a local computer network for communication between computers; especially a network connecting computers and other electronic office equipment to create a communication system between offices.

MAN – Metropolitan Area Networking – a computer network connecting businesses to other businesses, and businesses to WANs and the Internet.

MSRP – Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price

MULTI PROCESSOR COMPUTER - a multiprocessing system capable of supporting from 4 to about 200 users (e.g., single processors, terminals, etc.) simultaneously.

NJOIT – New Jersey Office of Information Technology

NOS – Network Operating System - An operating system for a network (as opposed to DOS, a disk operating system). Novell Netware is one example of a NOS.

OEM – Original Equipment Manufacturer

O/S or OS – Operating System. A software program (e.g., MS-DOS, UNIX, etc.) which manages the basic operations of a computer system.

PDA – Personal Digital Assistant. A consumer electronics device that looks similar to a palmtop computer, but performs specific tasks, such as electronic calendar/diary, personal database, memo taker, etc. Sometimes referred to as a HPC (Handheld Personal Computer). PDA's which have communications capability are not included in this definition and cannot be purchased from this contract.

RMA – Return Manufacturers Authorization

SINGLE PROCESSOR - is generally synonymous with personal computer (PC), or a computer that depends on a microprocessor. Microcomputers are designed to be used by individuals, whether in the form of PCs, workstations or notebook computers. A microcomputer contains a central processing unit (CPU) on a microchip (the microprocessor), a memory system (typically read-only memory and random access memory), a bus system and I/O ports, typically housed in a motherboard.

SRP – Suggested Retail Price (Ingram Micro Catalog)

VOIP - Voice Over Internet Protocol. The technology used to transmit voice conversations over a data network using the Internet Protocol.

WAN – Wide Area Networking – a computer network that spans a wider area than a local area network.

3.0 SCOPE OF WORK

The purpose of this RFP is to solicit bid proposals from qualified bidders for the acquisition of new products. No used or refurbished products are allowed to be purchased or substituted to be used in the State environment. All products must meet industry standards and be compatible with other like or similar products. This RFP includes the following products:

- Microcomputer and server peripherals, including but not limited to printers, scanners, storage devices, uninterruptible power supplies, etc.;
- Microcomputer and server software, including but not limited to software for desktop publishing, databases, statistics, graphics, etc.;
- LAN and WAN products, including but not limited to items such as switches, routers, hubs, and concentrators, etc.
- Services available under this contract are limited to initial installation, user product training, and product configuration. Services must be purchased at the same time as the product and are limited to only the product purchased. The service cost per line must be bid on lines 163 and 164. All other services must be purchased from the Professional Services Contract(s).

The State reserves the right to issue individual RFPs for any computer peripherals, software or LAN/WAN products or service requirements.

This RFP and the resulting contract(s) are not intended to provide products and/or services contained in other State contracts. For example, this RFP does not solicit and is not intended to provide system integration services or programming services.

The bidder is required to respond based on Product Category, Product Sub-Category Allowed (see attached price sheet and price lines in Section 9.1. All products bid must be of new manufacture only (no used or refurbished products are allowed to be purchased or substituted), and must be available as part of the manufacturer's current product line. The State will not accept refurbished, retrofitted, or customized products. Any product that is not available through the manufacturer's or a reseller's regular sales channels shall not be bid. The bidder must bid products/models with an existing manufacturer's model number or manufacturer's SKU number.

3.1 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The bidder must meet the following general requirements for the bid proposal to be considered responsive.

- a. Resellers must utilize the Ingram Micro Catalog of Technology Products as a point of reference for the categories and subcategories listed on the attached Summary of Products/Price Sheet.
- b. The bidder must provide only one discount per sub-category. Multiple or alternate discounts must not be submitted. If an alternate discount is submitted, the bid proposal will be considered non-responsive, and will be ineligible for a contract award.
- c. The bidder must bid only on the product categories and sub-categories listed in the Summary of Products/Price Sheet. The bidder must not add additional categories, nor add additional sub-categories.

Vendors must bid all items in each subcategory selected. All vendors must use the same Ingram Micro catalog with the following date and time as their baseline when calculating their prices and discounts:

Ingram Micro catalog Date December 1, 2004 Time 9:00 AM EST

The prices listed on the Ingram Micro Catalog as of the date specified above are the prices from which the discount is applied. These prices are the baseline for this RFP and/or any contract resulting from this RFP.

- d. The bidder must maintain a website (contents described in Section 3.4 below) to provide technical product literature and the most current price prior to discount for each product bid.

In the absence of product literature on the website, the contractor will be considered in violation of the contract terms, and may result in termination of the contract.
A web link from the vendor's website to the product description is acceptable.

- e. Product information (such as name, description etc.) listed in the Ingram Micro Catalog must match the product information referenced on the bidder's website.
- f. The bidder must include a copy of its problem escalation procedure in the bid proposal.
- g. All prices must include shipping and handling charges. No additional charges will be paid by the Using Agencies or Cooperative Purchasing Agencies over the price quoted on the Price Sheet or on the contractor's website.
- h. Bidders must be able to meet the product and service demands of this contract that is to be used by the State of New Jersey and members of Cooperative Purchasing (e.g., State and political subdivisions thereof.)

This contract requires a reporting of sales on a yearly basis. This reporting requirement includes sales to State Using Agencies and, if permitted under the terms of the contract, sales to counties, municipalities, school districts, volunteer fire departments, first aid squads and rescue squads, and independent institutions of higher education. The requirement also includes sales to State and County Colleges and Quasi-State Agencies. Quasi-State Agencies include any agency, commission, board, authority or other such governmental entity which is established and is allocated to a State department or any bi-state governmental entity (e.g., Port Authority) of which the State of New Jersey is a member).

- i. The primary purpose of this RFP is not for the purchase of services. The purchase of services is addressed in the Professional Services RFP. The purchase of services under this RFP is strictly limited to those services specified in this RFP, i.e. those services required for installation of products ordered from any contract resulting from this RFP.
- j. The product manufacturer's warranty must remain in full force and effect with the contractor even after the expiration of the contract. The minimum warranty for all hardware purchased is one year (12 months) from acceptance.
- k. The State requires that the bidder provide hardware device drivers that have been certified by the OS manufacturer.

3.2 EXCLUSIONS

The following product categories and sub-categories of the Ingram Micro Catalog are excluded from the scope of this RFP

Category	Subcategory
Accessories	Camera Accessories
Accessories	Desk Accessories
Accessories	PDA Accessories
Accessories	Phone/Cellular Accessories
Accessories	Projector Accessories
Communications Products	Phone Systems, Phones & Components
Communications Products	Video & Audio Conferencing Equipment
Communications Products	Voice Mail & Fax Equipment
Consumer Electronics	All Sub Categories
Input/Output Devices	Game Controllers
Monitors & Projectors	Projectors & Screens
Networking Products	Device & Print Servers
Printers & Office Equipment	Office Equipment
Software	Game
Software	Personal Interest
Supplies & Media	General Supplies
Supplies & Media	Ink & Toner Supplies
Supplies & Media	Labels
Supplies & Media	Paper
Supplies & Media	Transparencies

Additionally, the following are excluded:

- a. System Integration and programming services.
- b. Servers and server operating systems (capable of running file, print servers, etc.).
- c. Single processor microcomputers, options, and installation and maintenance services.
- d. Electronics (for example, musical keyboards, digital cameras, televisions, closed circuit television, surveillance cameras, etc.).
- e. Hand held devices which require an "air card" to function and/or can be used as a wireless voice communication device are excluded from this RFP. Also, all devices (e.g., Blackberry) which can be purchased from the Cellular Phone Contract..
- f. Fax machines.
- g. Cabling, also sometimes referred to as wiring (defined for the purposes of this RFP as purchase, consultation and/or installation of cables, wires, other connecting devices etc). The State is developing a separate wiring contract. **NOTE:** Incidental wiring required to connect (hook-up) a purchased piece of equipment is allowed.

- h. All antenna(e) devices covered by other State contracts.
- i. Storage Area Network (SAN) and Network Attached Storage (NAS) Mass Storage Devices.
- j. Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) telephone equipment and telephone products.

3.3 METHOD OF AWARD

For each price line offered, three awards will be made considering the size of the discounts/prices offered and other factors.

This is a partial Small Business Set-Aside. One of the three awards per price line will be made to a small business enterprise, which is a responsive/responsible bidder based on cost and other factors considered. If there are no responsive/responsible small businesses in the bidder pool, then this award will be made to any responsive/responsible bidder based on cost and other factors considered.

The other two awards per price line will be selected from the remaining responsive/responsible bidders based on cost and other factors considered. Note that these two awards may or may not be small businesses.

3.4. CONTRACT OPERATION

3.4.1. CONTRACTOR WEBSITE REQUIREMENTS

After the contract awards are made, each awarded contractor must provide a website from which State agencies and members of Cooperative Purchasing will be able to obtain and print a quote for the product(s) they wish to purchase. This website must be established with thirty (30) working days AFTER contract award. The awarded contractor must provide the Division with the web address by the date established. Failure to do so may result in the cancellation of contract.

This website must be available 99.00% during normal business hours (7:00am to 6:00pm ET, Monday through Friday).

Three severe outages, defined as unavailability of the website for price quotation for more than two continuous hours, during a rolling 60-day window may be grounds for the State to terminate the contract. Website maintenance should be performed outside of the State Agencies' normal business hours, which are 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The website shall permit a quote to be developed and stored for subsequent retrieval for up to sixty (60) business days. A stored quote shall be modifiable by the using agency.

At a minimum, the online website quote must include all of the following items:

- a. Contractor's Information: The contractor's name, address, phone number, fax number, contact person and contractor's contract number, the date of the quote; and the quote number.
- b. Agency Information: The agency name, address, phone number and name of individual requesting the quote.
- c. Product Information: The product's part or SKU number (manufacturer's and contractor's numbers if both are available), product availability (such as immediately available, back-ordered etc.) detailed description, a photograph if available, quantity desired, net unit cost, discount as awarded under the contract and the total cost.

Agencies without Internet access must be able to call the contractor during State business hours and receive a faxed quote.

Contractors providing services covered by this contract will be required to provide contract users with a written quote showing each service being quoted, the cost per hour and the total cost for the service. All services quotes for installation services permitted under this contract must be provided within three business days from request as set forth in Section 1.2.

Agencies must seek price quotes from contractors for the products they seek to purchase. Agencies must purchase from the contractor with the lowest net price (price after discounts are applied) first. If that contractor is not able to provide the product in the quantities desired, and within the timeframe needed, then the Agency may go to the contractor with the next lowest net price, and so on. The agency will prepare a purchase order to the selected contractor. Price quotes provided by contractors shall be valid for a minimum of 90 days from the quote date.

Only the products proposed and accepted by the State shall become part of a contract awarded to a bidder as a result of this RFP.

3.4.1.1 AUDITS

Each awarded contractor's website shall be subject to audits by the State of New Jersey, Division of Purchase & Property, Contract Compliance and Administration Unit. These audits will be held at random and without notification to ensure that the website content is within the terms of the contract.

Per Section 3.19 of the Standard Terms and Conditions, any additional records necessary for audits must be made available by the contractor.

3.4.2. RETURNS

3.4.2.1. PRODUCT DEFECT

If the product must be returned because of a defect, malfunction, or dead on arrival (doa), the shipping charges shall be paid by the contractor.

3.4.2.2. AGENCY ERROR

If a Using Agency must return a product because of agency error, the agency must use the following procedure to ensure that it receives full credit from the contractor. Products must be complete (with all manuals and accessories), in resellable condition, and must be in the manufacturer's box with an unbroken factory seal. The manufacturer's box must be free of any marking, writings, stickers, tears, holes, or any other type of damage.

The using agency shall:

1. Call the contractor to obtain an RMA number.
2. Write the RMA number on the shipping label or the packing slip only. The agency shall not write anything on the manufacturer's box.
3. To prevent any damage in transit, the agency shall place the manufacturer's box, with the product inside, within another shipping carton, and attach the shipping label (or packing slip) on the outer shipping carton.
4. Mail the product to the address provided by the contractor, using a shipping carrier such that the agency can obtain tracking and insurance on the container. Shipping charges shall be paid by the agency.
5. All returns must be shipped to the contractor (or a designated facility) within a reasonable period after receipt.

If the agency has followed the procedure correctly and completely, as described above, the contractor shall provide a full credit to the agency's account.

3.4.3 SPECIAL PRICING/VOLUME PRICING

If a bidder receives an award for a specific product and wishes to offer an additional discount above and beyond its original bid, a request must be submitted in writing to the Division, as follows:

Marianne Bixler
Purchase Bureau
33 West State St.
PO Box 230
Trenton, NJ 08625-0230.

The Division must approve all product updates in writing before being offered to any agency. Contractors must not offer "special pricing" to any State Agency or Cooperative Purchasing Partner before it has been submitted to and approved by the Division. No requests will be considered within 60 days of contract expiration.

NOTE: Any product being offered for an additional discount over the original discount bid or any special pricing must be held firm for a minimum of 90-days and be offered to ALL State of New Jersey Agencies and members of Cooperative Purchasing.

3.5 ACCEPTANCE PROCEDURE

Every hardware product may be subject to the State acceptance procedure described below, which will be used at the option of the purchasing agency. No additional charges will be allowed for utilizing the State's acceptance procedure. The acceptance period will commence within 90 days of receipt of the complete order at which time the product will enter a 45-day acceptance period, during which time the device or component will be operational for at least 30 consecutive calendar days. During this 30-day period, the product must be operational and available for use 95% or more of scheduled shift hours, unless otherwise indicated by the agency. The using agency must keep appropriate records to allow this determination to be made. At the conclusion of the test period, the using agency will notify the contractor in writing of any operational problems; any unit failing the acceptance test must be replaced with a new unit or repaired within ten days of the agency request. Subsequent acceptance periods will be provided when units are repaired or substituted for those failing the first test cycle.

3.6 PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE OF BIDDER

The bidder must provide the manufacturer's warranty for the product purchased. The contractor must repair or replace any product that does not perform according to specifications at any time during the warranty period. The contractor must, at a minimum, call customers back within four hours of a service call. In addition, all repairs or replacements must be performed within two business days of notification by the using agency, during an agency's normal business hours, which currently are Monday through Friday 8 am to 5 pm.

All electrically powered components supplied that are normally subject to Underwriters Laboratory (UL) review must have received UL listing. In addition, these products must conform to the most recently published Federal Communications Code as it applies to radio frequency and the code of Federal regulations, Food and Drugs Part 1020.10, Sections A, B, C, as these may apply.

4. Proposal Preparation and Submission

4.1. GENERAL

The bidder must follow instructions contained in this RFP and in the bid cover sheet in preparing and submitting its bid proposal. The bidder is advised to thoroughly read and follow all instructions.

The information required to be submitted in response to this RFP has been determined to be essential in the bid evaluation and contract award process. Any qualifying statements made by the bidder to the RFP'S requirements could result in a determination that the bidder's proposal is materially non-responsive. The State reserves the right to offer any bidder the opportunity to retract any exceptions to State requirements. Each bidder is given wide latitude in the degree of detail it elects to offer or the extent to which plans, designs, systems, processes and procedures are revealed. Each bidder is cautioned, however, that insufficient detail may result in a determination that the bid proposal is materially non-responsive or, in the alternative, may result in a low technical score being given to the bid proposal.

The bidder is instructed to clearly identify any requirement of this RFP that the bidder cannot satisfy.

4.2. PROPOSAL DELIVERY AND IDENTIFICATION

In order to be considered, a bid proposal must arrive at the Purchase Bureau in accordance with the instructions on the RFP cover sheet. The bidder submitting proposals are cautioned to allow adequate delivery time to ensure timely delivery of proposals. State regulation mandates that late proposals are ineligible for consideration. The exterior of all bid proposal packages must be labeled with the bid identification number, final bid opening date and the buyer's name. All of this information is set forth at the top of the RFP cover sheet.

4.3. NUMBER OF BID PROPOSAL COPIES

Each bidder must submit one **(1) complete ORIGINAL bid proposal**, clearly marked as the "ORIGINAL" bid proposal. Each bidder must submit **five (5) full, complete, and exact copies** of the original proposal and **2 full, complete, and exact ELECTRONIC copies** of the original proposal **on compact disk (CD)**. The copies of the proposal on CD must in PDF file format to be viewable by State evaluators using Adobe Acrobat Reader software. Bidders failing to provide the requested number of copies will be charged the cost incurred by the State in producing the requested number of copies. It is suggested that the bidder make and retain a copy of its bid proposal.

4.3.1 VIRUS PROTECTION

The bidder must scan the CD-ROM(s) for computer viruses and any malicious code before submitting the CD-ROM(s) to the State. If the State finds a computer virus or any malicious code on a CD-ROM submitted by a bidder, and that computer virus or any malicious code is responsible for loss of employee time and/or data on the State's network, the bidder will be held liable for the cost of the elimination of the virus or any malicious code from the State's computers.

4.4. PROPOSAL CONTENT

The proposal should be submitted in one volume and that volume divided into four (4) Sections as follows:

- Section 1 - Forms (Section 4.4.1)
- Section 2 - Technical Proposal (Section 4.4.2)
- Section 3 - Organizational Support and Experience (Section 4.4.3)
- Section 4 - Cost Proposal (Section 4.4.4)

The following Table describes the format of the bid proposal that should be prepared with tabs (separators), and the content of the material located behind each tab.

TAB	CONTENTS	RFP SECTION REFERENCE	COMMENTS
1	Forms	Cover sheet	Completed and signed cover sheet (Page 3 of this RFP)
		4.4.1.1	Ownership Disclosure Form (Attachment 1)
		4.4.1.2	MacBride Principles Certification (Attachment 2)
		4.4.1.3	Affirmative Action Employee Information Report or New Jersey Affirmative Action Certificate (Attachment 3)
		4.4.1.4	Notice of Intent to Subcontract Form and Subcontractor Utilization Plan (Attachment 4)
		1.1 of the Standard Terms & Conditions	Business Registration from Division of Revenue
		4.4.1.5	Bid Bond
			Small Business Enterprise Approval Notice (if applicable) (Attachment 5)
			Executive Order 134
2	Technical Proposal	4.4.2.1	Management Overview
		4.4.2.2	Contract Management
		4.4.2.3	Contract Schedule
		4.4.2.4	Mobilization and Implementation Plan
		4.4.2.5	Potential Problems
3	Organizational Support and Experience Proposal	4.4.3.1	Location
		4.4.3.2	Organization Chart (Contract Specific)
		4.4.3.3	Resumes
		4.4.3.4	Backup Staff
		4.4.3.5	Organization Chart (Entire Firm)
		4.4.3.6	Experience of Bidder on Contracts of Similar Size and Scope
		4.4.3.7	Financial Capability of the Bidder
		4.4.3.8	Subcontractor(s)
4	Cost Proposal	4.4.4	Price Schedules (Attachment 5)

4.4.1. SECTION 1 – FORMS

4.4.1.1. OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM

In the event the bidder is a corporation or partnership, the bidder must complete the attached Ownership Disclosure Form. A completed Ownership Disclosure Form must be received prior to or accompanying the bid. Failure to do so will preclude the award of the contract.

4.4.1.2. MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES CERTIFICATION

The bidder must complete the attached MacBride Principles Certification evidencing compliance with the MacBride Principles. Failure to do so may result in the award of the contract to another vendor.

4.4.1.3. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

The bidder must complete the attached Affirmative Action Employee Information Report, or, in the alternative, supply either a New Jersey Affirmative Action Certificate or evidence that the bidder is operating under a Federally approved or sanctioned affirmative action program. The requirement is a precondition to entering into a valid and binding contract.

4.4.1.4. SET-ASIDE CONTRACTS

One award for each price line will be made to a Small Business Set-Aside for Category I, II, and III Small Businesses. Bidders who qualify for this set-aside shall provide with their bid proposal evidence of current and valid registration as a small business from the New Jersey Commerce and Economic Growth Commission (Commerce).

4.4.1.5 BID BOND

This section is not applicable to this procurement.

4.4.2. SECTION 2 – TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

In this Section, the bidder shall describe its approach and plans for accomplishing the work outlined in the Scope of Work Section, i.e., Section 3.0. The bidder must set forth its understanding of the requirements of this RFP and its ability to successfully complete the contract. This Section of the proposal should contain at least the following information:

4.4.2.1. MANAGEMENT OVERVIEW

The bidder shall set forth its overall plans to meet the requirements of the RFP in a narrative format. This narrative should convince the State that the bidder understands the objectives that the contract is intended to meet, the nature of the required work and the level of effort necessary to successfully fulfill the contract. This narrative should convince the State that the bidder's general approach and plans to undertake and complete the contract are appropriate.

Mere reiterations of RFP tasks and subtasks are strongly discouraged as they do not provide insight into the bidder's ability to fulfill the contract. The bidder's response to this Section should be designed to convince the State that the bidder's detailed plans and approach proposed to complete the Scope of Work are realistic, attainable, and appropriate and that the bidder's proposal will lead to successful contract fulfillment.

4.4.2.2. CONTRACT MANAGEMENT – NOT APPLICABLE TO THIS PROCUREMENT

4.4.2.3. CONTRACT SCHEDULE – NOT APPLICABLE TO THIS PROCUREMENT

4.4.2.4. MOBILIZATION AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

It is essential that the State move forward quickly to have the contract in place. Therefore, the bidder must include as part of its proposal an implementation plan to implement the website to provide quotes to the State Agencies and members of Cooperative Purchasing.

Upon contract awards, the Purchase Bureau will inform the awardees, through a letter or an e-mail, that they can commence the implementation of the website for the contract. The contractors will be given thirty (30) days to implement the website before the start of the contracts. Therefore, it is imperative that bidders submit implementation plans with a schedule not exceeding 30 days.

Such implementation plan should include a detailed timetable for the implementation designed to demonstrate how the bidder will have the website up and operational by the start of the contract from the date of notification.

4.4.2.5. POTENTIAL PROBLEMS

The bidder should set forth a summary of any and all problems that the bidder anticipates during the term of the contract. For each problem identified, the bidder should provide its proposed solution.

4.4.3. SECTION 3 - ORGANIZATIONAL SUPPORT AND EXPERIENCE

The bidder should include information relating to its organization, personnel, and experience, including, but not limited to, references, together with contact names and telephone numbers, evidencing the bidder's qualifications, and capabilities to perform the services required by this RFP.

4.4.3.1. LOCATION

The bidder should include the location of the bidder's office that will be responsible for managing the contract. The bidder should include the telephone number and name of the individual to contact.

4.4.3.2. ORGANIZATION CHART (CONTRACT SPECIFIC)

The bidder should include a contract organization chart, with names showing management, supervisory and other key personnel (including subcontractor's management, supervisory or other key personnel) to be assigned to the contract. The chart should include the labor category and title of each such individual.

4.4.3.3. RESUMES

This section is not applicable to this procurement.

4.4.3.4. BACKUP STAFF – NOT APPLICABLE TO THIS PROCUREMENT

4.4.3.5. ORGANIZATION CHART (ENTIRE FIRM)

The bidder should include an organization chart showing the bidder's entire organizational structure. This chart should show the relationship of the individuals assigned the contract to the bidder's overall organizational structure.

4.4.3.6. EXPERIENCE OF BIDDER ON CONTRACTS OF SIMILAR SIZE AND SCOPE

The bidder must provide a comprehensive listing of contracts of similar size and scope that it has successfully completed, as evidence of the bidder's ability to the successful implementation of the requirements of this RFP.

Emphasis should be placed on contracts that are similar in size and scope to those required by this RFP. A description of all such contracts should be included and should show how such contracts relate to the ability of the firm to complete the services required by this RFP. For each such contract, the bidder should provide the name and telephone number of a contact person for the other contract party. Beginning and ending dates should also be given for each contract.

4.4.3.7. FINANCIAL CAPABILITY OF THE BIDDER

The bidder shall provide proof of its financial capacity and capabilities to undertake and successfully complete the contract. To satisfy this requirement, the bidder shall submit a certified financial statement, including applicable notes, reflecting the bidder's assets, liabilities, net worth, revenues, expenses, profit or loss, and cash flow for the most recent calendar year or the bidder's most recent fiscal year; or, if a certified financial statement is not available, then either a reviewed or compiled statement from an independent

accountant setting forth the same information required for the certified financial statement. In addition, the bidder must submit a bank reference.

4.4.3.8 SUBCONTRACTOR(S)

- A. **All bidders** must complete the **Notice of Intent to Subcontract Form** whether or not they intend to utilize subcontractors in connection with the work set forth in this RFP. If the bidder intends to utilize subcontractor(s), then the **Subcontractor Utilization Plan** must also be submitted with the bid.

N.J.A.C. 17:13-4 and Executive Order 71 mandate that if the bidder proposes to utilize a subcontractor, the bidder must make a good faith effort to meet the set-aside subcontracting targets of awarding a total of twenty-five percent (25%) of the value of the contract to New Jersey-based, New Jersey Commerce and Economic Growth Commission registered small businesses, with a minimum of five (5) percent awarded to each of the three categories set forth below, and the balance of ten (10) percent spread across the three annual gross revenue categories: Category I – \$1 to \$500,000; Category II - \$500,001 to \$5,000,000; Category III - \$5,000,001 to \$12,000,000.

- B. Should the bidder propose to utilize a subcontractor(s) to fulfill any of its obligations, the bidder shall be responsible for the subcontractor's(s): (a) performance; (b) compliance with all of the terms and conditions of the contract; and (c) compliance with the requirements of all applicable laws.
- C. The bidder must provide a detailed description of services to be provided by each subcontractor, referencing the applicable Section or Subsection of this RFP.
- D. The bidder should provide detailed resumes for each subcontractor's management, supervisory and other key personnel that demonstrate knowledge, ability and experience relevant to that part of the work which the subcontractor is designated to perform.
- E. The bidder should provide documented experience to demonstrate that each subcontractor has successfully performed work on contracts of a similar size and scope to the work that the subcontractor is designated to perform in the bidder's proposal.

4.4.3.9 ACCOUNT MANAGEMENT

The bidder must explain how the State's account will be managed for the duration of the contract(s) resulting from this RFP. As part of account management practice, the bidder must indicate if a contact person (called account manager) will be available for answering agency questions related to the contract, and if so, provide pertinent contact information, including but not limited to phone number and hours of availability, of the account manager. Note that the account manager must be available, at a minimum, during the State's core business hours (Monday through Friday, between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm, Eastern Time), excluding State holidays.

4.4.4. SECTION 4 - COST PROPOSAL

The bidder must submit all requested pricing information in the Summary of Products Price Sheet attached to this RFP. Failure to submit all requested pricing information will result in the bidder's proposal being considered materially non-responsive. The bidder should also include any supporting information related to its cost proposal.

Each bidder must hold its price(s) firm through issuance of contract to permit the completion of the evaluation of proposals received and the contract award process.

4.4.4.1. BID PRICING

The bidder must ensure that it has the correct price list at the time of the bid proposal submission. All discounts bid will be based on and evaluated against the price list. Products bid with incorrect price lists will be disqualified and not be eligible for award.

4.4.4.2. PRICE REDUCTIONS

Contractors must pass price reductions to the State when the SRP decreases. The Contractor must update its website with the reduced SRP within thirty (30) days of the reduction.

4.4.4.3. INSTRUCTIONS ON COMPLETING THE PRICE SHEETS

The bidder must complete the Summary of Products Price Sheet (Excel worksheet) with the required information.

The Summary of Products Worksheet must be used for price lines 00001 through 00100. One price line corresponds to one sub-category on the price sheet. Bidders must offer the full line of products within a Sub-Category in order to be eligible for award.

The Network Services Price Sheet must be used for price lines 101 and 102. This Price Sheet encompasses installation and training services as specified.

The bidder must enter an all-inclusive hourly rate for each line.

The products and services bid (and priced on the price sheets) by the bidders will be the only products and services available for purchase on the contracts resulting from this RFP. Any products or services not bid (and priced on the price sheets) will not be available for purchase by New Jersey State agencies and/or Cooperative Purchasing Partners through any contract resulting from this RFP. **Contractors are cautioned that selling any products or services that have not been approved by the Director may result in contract termination.**

5.0 Special Terms and Conditions

5.1. PRECEDENCE OF CONTRACTUAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The contract shall consist of this RFP, addendum to this RFP, the contractor's bid proposal, and the Division's Notice of Acceptance.

Unless specifically noted within this RFP, the Special Terms and Conditions take precedence over the Standard Terms and Conditions.

In the event of a conflict between the provisions of this RFP, including the Standard Terms and Conditions and the Special Terms and Conditions, and any addendum to the RFP, the addendum shall govern.

In the event of a conflict between the provisions of this RFP, including any addendum to this RFP, and the bidder's proposal, the RFP and/or the addendum shall govern.

5.2. PERFORMANCE BOND – NOT APPLICABLE TO THIS PROCUREMENT

5.3 BUSINESS REGISTRATION

The following shall supplement the Standard Terms and Conditions pertaining to Business Registration set forth in, [Appendix 1, Section 1.1](#).

“Affiliate” means any entity that (1) directly, indirectly, or constructively controls another entity, (2) is directly, indirectly, or constructively controlled by another entity, or (3) is subject to the control of a common entity. An entity controls another entity if it owns, directly or individually, more than 50% of the ownership in that entity.

“Business organization” means an individual, partnership, association, joint stock company, trust, corporation, or other legal business entity or successor thereof;

“Business registration” means a business registration certificate issued by the Department of the Treasury or such other form or verification that a contractor or subcontractor is registered with the Department of Treasury;

“Contractor” means a business organization that seeks to enter, or has entered into, a contract to provide goods or services with a contracting agency;

“Contracting agency” means the principal departments in the Executive Branch of the State Government, and any division, board, bureau, office, commission or other instrumentality within or created by such department, or any independent State authority, commission, instrumentality or agency, or any State college or university, any county college, or any local unit; with respect to this Contract, the contracting agency shall mean the Division;

“Subcontractor” means any business organization that is not a contractor that knowingly provides goods or performs services for a contractor or another subcontractor in the fulfillment of a contract.

A bidder shall submit a copy of its business registration at the time of submission of its bid proposal in response to this RFP.

A subcontractor shall provide a copy of its business registration to any contractor who shall forward it to the contracting agency. No contract with a subcontractor shall be entered into by any contractor unless the subcontractor first provides proof of valid business registrations.

The contractor shall provide written notice to all subcontractors that they are required to submit a copy of their business registration to the contractor. The contractor shall maintain a list of the names of any subcontractors and their current addresses, updated as necessary during the course of the contract performance. The contractor shall submit to the contracting agency a copy of the list of subcontractors, updated as necessary during the course of performance of the contract. The contractor shall submit a

complete and accurate list of the subcontractors to the contracting agency before a request for final payment is made to the using agency.

The contractor and any subcontractor providing goods or performing services under the contract, and each of their affiliates, shall, during the term of the contract, collect and remit to the Director of the Division of Taxation in the Department of the Treasury the use tax due pursuant to the "Sales and Use Tax Act, P.L. 1966, c. 30 (N.J.S.A. 54:32B-1 et seq.) on all their sales of tangible personal property delivered into the State.

This paragraph shall apply to all contracts awarded on and after September 1, 2004

5.4 STATE CONTRACT MANAGER

The State Contract Manager is the State employee responsible for the overall management and administration of the contract.

The State Contract Manager for this project will be identified at the time of execution of contract. At that time, the contractor will be provided with the State Contract Manager name, department, division, agency, address, telephone number, fax phone number, and email address.

5.4.1 STATE CONTRACT MANAGER RESPONSIBILITIES

For an agency contract where only one State office uses the contract, the State Contract Manager will be responsible for engaging the contractor, assuring that Purchase Orders are issued to the contractor, directing the contractor to perform the work of the contract, approving the deliverables and approving payment vouchers. The State Contract Manager is the person that the contractor will contact **after the contract is executed** for answers to any questions and concerns about any aspect of the contract. The State Contract Manager is responsible for coordinating the use and resolving minor disputes between the contractor and any component part of the State Contract Manager's Department.

If the contract has multiple users, then the State Contract Manager shall be the central coordinator of the use of the contract for all Using Agencies, while other State employees engage and pay the contractor. All persons and agencies that use the contract must notify and coordinate the use of the contract with the State Contract Manager.

5.4.2 OTHER DUTIES OF THE STATE CONTRACT MANAGER

The State Contract Manager shall have the following additional duties:

- a) If the State Contract Manager determines that the Contractor has failed to perform the work of the contract and is unable to resolve that failure to perform directly with the contractor, the State Contract Manager shall file a formal complaint with the Contract Compliance Unit in the Division of Purchase and Property and request that office to assist in the resolution the contract performance problem with the contractor.
- b) The State Contract Manager is responsible for arranging for contract extensions and preparing any re-procurement of the contract with the Purchase Bureau.
- c) The State Contract Manager is responsible for obtaining permission from the Director to reduce the scope of work, amend the contract or add work or special projects to the contract after contract award.
- d) The State Contract Manager is responsible for completion of the Project Performance Assessment Form for submission to the CCAU Unit of the Division, with a copy to the Associate Director of OMB; and
- e) The State Contract Manager is responsible for submitting the Contractor final deliverables to the Associate Director of OMB.

5.4.3 COORDINATION WITH THE STATE CONTRACT MANAGER

Any contract user that is unable to resolve disputes with a contractor shall refer those disputes to the State Contract Manager for resolution. Any questions related to performance of the work of the contract by contract users shall be directed to the State Contract Manager. The contractor may contact the State Contract Manager if the contractor can not resolve a dispute with contract users.

5.5. CONTRACT TERM AND EXTENSION OPTION

The term of the contract shall be for a period of two (2) years. The anticipated "Contract Effective Date" is provided on the cover sheet of this RFP. If delays in the bid process result in an adjustment of the anticipated Contract Effective Date, the bidder agrees to accept a contract for the full term of the contract. The contract may be extended for three (3) one-year additional extensions, by mutual written consent of the contractor and the Director.

5.6. CONTRACT TRANSITION

In the event services end by either contract expiration or termination, it shall be incumbent upon the contractor to continue services, if requested by the Director, until new services can be completely operational. The contractor acknowledges its responsibility to cooperate fully with the replacement contractor and the State to ensure a smooth and timely transition to the replacement contractor. Such transitional period shall not extend more than ninety (90) days beyond the expiration date of the contract, or any extension thereof. The contractor will be reimbursed for services during the transitional period at the rate in effect when the transitional period clause is invoked by the State.

5.7. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

The State's obligation to pay the contractor is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds from which payment for contract, purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the State for payment of any money shall arise unless funds are made available each fiscal year to the Using Agency by the Legislature.

5.8. CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Any changes or modifications to the terms of the contract shall only be valid when they have been reduced to writing and executed by the contractor and the Director.

5.9. CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITIES

The contractor shall have sole responsibility for the complete effort specified in the contract. Payment will be made only to the contractor. The contractor shall have sole responsibility for all payments due any subcontractor.

The contractor is responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy and timely completion and submission of all deliverables, services, or commodities required to be provided under the contract. The contractor shall, without additional compensation, correct or revise any errors, omissions, or other deficiencies in its deliverables and other services. The approval of deliverables furnished under this contract shall not in any way relieve the contractor of responsibility for the technical adequacy of its work. The review, approval, acceptance, or payment for any of the services shall not be construed as a waiver of any rights that the State may have arising out of the contractor's performance of this contract.

5.10 SUBSTITUTION OR ADDITION OF SUBCONTRACTOR(S)

This Subsection serves to supplement but not to supersede [Section 3.11](#) of the Standard Terms and Conditions of this RFP.

If it becomes necessary for the contractor to substitute and/or add a subcontractor, the contractor will identify the proposed new subcontractor and the work to be performed. The contractor must provide detailed justification documenting the necessity for the substitution or addition.

The contractor shall forward a written request to substitute or add a subcontractor to the State Contract Manager for consideration. If the State Contract Manager approves the request, the State Contract Manager will forward the request to the Director for final approval.

No substituted or additional subcontractors are authorized to begin work until the contractor has received written approval from the Director.

5.11. OWNERSHIP OF MATERIAL

All data, technical information, materials gathered, originated, developed, prepared, used or obtained in the performance of the contract, including, but not limited to, all reports, surveys, plans, charts, literature, brochures, mailings, recordings (video and/or audio), pictures, drawings, analyses, graphic representations, software computer programs and accompanying documentation and print-outs, notes and memoranda, written procedures and documents, regardless of the state of completion, which are prepared for or are a result of the services required under this contract shall be and remain the property of the State of New Jersey and shall be delivered to the State of New Jersey upon 30 days notice by the State.

With respect to software computer programs and/or source codes developed for the State, the work shall be considered "work for hire", i.e., the State, not the contractor or subcontractor, shall have full and complete ownership of all software computer programs and/or source codes developed.

To the extent that any of such materials may not, by operation of law, be a work made for hire in accordance with the terms of this Contract, contractor or subcontractor hereby assigns to the State all right, title and interest in and to any copyright, and the State shall have the right to obtain and hold in its own name any copyrights, registrations and any other proprietary rights that may be available. To the extent that any of such materials may not, by operation of law, be a work made for hire in accordance with the terms of this Contract, contractor or subcontractor hereby assigns to the State all right, title and interest in and to any such material, and the State shall have the right to obtain and hold in its own name any copyrights, registrations and any other proprietary rights that may be available.

Should the bidder anticipate bringing pre-existing intellectual property into the project, the intellectual property must be identified in the bid proposal. Otherwise, the language in the first paragraph of this section prevails. If the bidder identifies such intellectual property ("Background IP") in its bid proposal, then the Background IP owned by the bidder on the date of the contract, as well as any modifications or adaptations thereto, remain the property of the bidder. Upon contract award, the bidder or contractor shall grant the State a perpetual non-exclusive, royalty free license to use any of the bidder/contractor's Background IP delivered to the State for the purposes contemplated by the Contract.

5.12 DATA CONFIDENTIALITY

All financial, statistical, personnel and/or technical data supplied by the State to the contractor are confidential. The contractor is required to use reasonable care to protect the confidentiality of such data. Any use, sale or offering of this data in any form by the contractor, or any individual or entity in the contractor's charge or employ, will be considered a violation of this contract and may result in contract termination and the contractor's suspension or debarment from State contracting. In addition, such conduct may be reported to the State Attorney General for possible criminal prosecution.

5.13 NEWS RELEASES

The contractor is not permitted to issue news releases pertaining to any aspect of the services being provided under this contract without the prior written consent of the Director.

5.14 ADVERTISING

The contractor shall not use the State's name, logos, images, or any data or results arising from this contract as a part of any commercial advertising without first obtaining the prior written consent of the Director.

5.15 LICENSES AND PERMITS

The contractor shall obtain and maintain in full force and effect all required licenses, permits, and authorizations necessary to perform this contract. The contractor shall supply the State's Contract Manager with evidence of all such licenses, permits, and authorizations. This evidence shall be submitted subsequent to the contract award. All costs associated with any such licenses, permits and authorizations must be considered by the bidder in its bid proposal.

5.16 CLAIMS AND REMEDIES

5.16.1 CLAIMS

All claims asserted against the State by the contractor shall be subject to the New Jersey Tort Claims Act, N.J.S.A. 59:1-1.1, et seq., and/or the New Jersey Contractual Liability Act, N.J.S.A. 59:13-1, et seq."

5.16.2 REMEDIES

Nothing in the contract shall be construed to be a waiver by the State of any warranty, expressed or implied, or any remedy at law or equity, except as specifically and expressly stated in a writing executed by the Director.

5.16.3 REMEDIES FOR NON-PERFORMANCE

In the event the contractor fails to comply with any material contract requirement, the Director may take steps to terminate the contract in accordance with the State Administrative Code. In this event, the Director may authorize the delivery of contract items by any available means, with the difference between the price paid and the defaulting contractor's price either being deducted from any monies due the defaulting contractor or being an obligation owed the State by the defaulting contractor.

5.17 LATE DELIVERY AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

The contractor must immediately advise the purchasing agency of any circumstance or event that could result in late completion of any task or subtask called for to be completed on a date certain. Notification must also be provided to the Director at the address below:

The State of New Jersey
Director, Division of Purchase and Property
Purchase Bureau
PO Box 230
33 West State St.
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0230

If the contractor cannot meet the contract completion date for any task or subtask required to be completed by a date certain, the contractor shall be liable to the State to the sum of per workday that such task,

subtask or work remains incomplete following its contractually agreed upon completion date. Such sum shall be treated as liquidated damages and not as penalty.

5.18 RETAINAGE – NOT APPLICABLE TO THIS PROCUREMENT

5.19 STATE'S OPTION TO REDUCE SCOPE OF WORK – NOT APPLICABLE TO THIS PROCUREMENT

5.20 SUSPENSION OF WORK – NOT APPLICABLE TO THIS PROCUREMENT

5.21 CHANGE IN LAW

Whenever an unforeseen change in applicable law or regulation affects the services that are the subject of this contract, the contractor shall advise the Purchase Bureau and the Director in writing and include in such written transmittal any estimated increase or decrease in the cost of its performance of the services as a result of such change in law or regulation. The Director and the contractor shall negotiate an equitable adjustment, if any, to the contract price.

5.22 CONTRACT PRICE INCREASE (PREVAILING WAGE)

If the Prevailing Wage Act (N.J.S.A. 34:11-56 et seq.) is applicable to the contract, the contractor may apply to the Director, on the anniversary of the effective date of the contract, for a contract price increase. The contract price increase will be available only for an increase in the prevailing wages of trades and occupations covered under this contract during the prior year. The contractor must substantiate with documentation the need for the increase and submit it to the Director for review and determination of the amount, if any, of the requested increase, which shall be available for the upcoming contract year. No retroactive increases will be approved by the Director.

5.23 ADDITIONAL WORK AND/OR SPECIAL PROJECTS – NOT APPLICABLE TO THIS PROCUREMENT

5.24 FORM OF COMPENSATION AND PAYMENT

This Section supplements Section 4.5 of the RFP'S Standard Terms and Conditions. The contractor must submit official State invoice forms to the Using Agency with supporting documentation evidencing that work for which payment is sought has been satisfactorily completed.

Invoices must reference the appropriate RFP price sheet line number from the contractor's bid proposal.

Payment to Contractor - Optional Method

The State of New Jersey now offers State contractors the opportunity to be paid through the MASTERCARD procurement card (p-card). A contractor's acceptance and a State agency's use of the p-card, however, are optional.

P-card transactions do not require the submission of either a contractor invoice or a State payment voucher. Purchasing transactions using the p-card will usually result in payment to a contractor in three days.

A contractor should take note that there will be a transaction-processing fee for each p-card transaction. To participate, a contractor must be capable of accepting the MASTERCARD card. Additional information can be obtained from banks or merchant service companies.

5.25 CONTRACT ACTIVITY REPORT

In conjunction with the standard record keeping requirements of this contract, as listed in paragraph 3.19 of this RFP'S standard terms and conditions, contractor(s) must provide, on a calendar quarter basis, to the Purchase Bureau buyer assigned, a record of all purchases made under their contract award resulting for this Request for Proposal. This includes purchases made by all using agencies including the State and

political sub-divisions thereof. This reporting requirement includes sales to State Using Agencies and, if permitted under the terms of the contract, sales to counties, municipalities, school districts, volunteer fire departments, first aid squads and rescue squads, and independent institutions of higher education. The requirement also includes sales to State and County Colleges and Quasi-State Agencies. Quasi-State Agencies include any agency, commission, board, authority or other such governmental entity which is established and is allocated to a State department or any bi-state governmental entity (e.g., Port Authority) of which the State of New Jersey is a member.

The contractor must submit a quarterly procurement report to the assigned buyer for this contract (incremental reports are acceptable only as long as there is a separate worksheet in the spreadsheet for each quarter). The quarterly procurement report must be in an MS Excel spreadsheet in the format prescribed in the template in Attachment #3 and submitted on a 1.44MB diskette or a CD-ROM. The contractor must name the worksheets in the spreadsheet, and the file itself clearly for ease of identification and differentiation from previous and future reports. Hard copies of the report are not acceptable.

Submission of purchase orders, confirmations, and/or invoices do not fulfill this contract requirement for information.

Failure to report this mandated information will be a factor in future award decisions.

5.26 CONNECTION OF COMPATIBLE PRODUCTS

The bidder must agree to permit the State to connect appropriate compatible products supplied by other vendors to any product procured from this contract. All contracted maintenance and services must continue without prejudice to the State as a result of the above connection. An end user appropriately connecting compatible peripherals to the products procured from contract(s) resulting from this RFP shall not void the manufacturer's warranty.

5.27 PRODUCT RECALL

Contractor assumes full responsibility for prompt notification of the Director and the Purchasing Agency of any product recall in accordance with any applicable state and federal regulations.

5.28 SPECIAL PRICING

If the contractor or manufacturer offers any special pricing or incentives during the contract period (for example seasonal, inventory reduction, etc.), whether temporary or permanent, the contractor must make the special pricing or incentives available to the State agencies and participants in the Cooperative Purchasing Program, under this contract for any future procurement for a minimum of 90 days. Once the special pricing or incentives cease, the prices paid by the State agencies and participants in the Cooperative Purchasing Program will revert to the previously approved prices. If the special pricing or incentives cannot be made available by the contractor, the State reserves the right to place orders directly with the manufacturer or the State, at its discretion, may choose to cancel the contract.

5.29 LEMON REPLACEMENT POLICY

If the contractor or a contractor-designated repair facility cannot repair the product to conform to the manufacturer's specifications after three (3) repair attempts, the contractor must replace the product or reimburse the Using Agency for the full purchase price, whichever the Using Agency prefers (less any allowances to offset for the agency's use of the product prior to the first repair attempt).

In order for this Lemon Replacement policy to be invoked by a Using Agency, all of the following must be true:

- The product must have been qualified as a "new" product.
- The product's problems must be covered by the manufacturer's warranty.
- The problem(s) must substantially reduce the use, or value of the product to the purchaser.

- The problem(s) were not caused by any abuse of the product.
- The vendor has made at least three unsuccessful repair attempts.

5.30 REQUIREMENTS OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 134

In order to safeguard the integrity of State government procurement by imposing restrictions to insulate the award of State contracts from political contributions that pose the risk of improper influence, purchase of access, or the appearance thereof, Executive Order 134 was signed on September 22, 2004 ("EO 134"). Pursuant to the requirements of EO 134, the terms and conditions set forth in this section are material terms of any contract resulting from this RFP:

5.30.1 DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this section, the following shall be defined as follows:

- a) Contribution – means a contribution reportable as a recipient under "The New Jersey Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Reporting Act." P.L. 1973, c. 83 (C.19:44A-1 et seq.), and implementing regulations set forth at N.J.A.C. 19:25-7 and N.J.A.C. 19:25-10.1 et seq. Currently, contributions in excess of \$400 during a reporting period are deemed "reportable" under these laws. As of January 1, 2005, that threshold will be reduced to contributions in excess of \$300.
- b) Business Entity – means any natural or legal person, business corporation, professional services corporation, limited liability company, partnership, limited partnership, business trust, association or any other legal commercial entity organized under the laws of New Jersey or any other state or foreign jurisdiction. It also includes (i) all principals who own or control more than 10 percent of the profits or assets of a business entity or 10 percent of the stock in the case of a business entity that is a corporation for profit, as appropriate; (ii) any subsidiaries directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity; (iii) any political organization organized under 26 U.S.C.A. 527 that is directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity, other than a candidate committee, election fund, or political party committee; and (iv) if a business entity is a natural person, that person's spouse or child, residing in the same household.

5.30.2 BREACH OF TERMS OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 134 DEEMED BREACH OF CONTRACT

It shall be a breach of the terms of the contract for the Business Entity to (i) make or solicit a contribution in violation of this Order, (ii) knowingly conceal or misrepresent a contribution given or received; (iii) make or solicit contributions through intermediaries for the purpose of concealing or misrepresenting the source of the contribution; (iv) make or solicit any contribution on the condition or with the agreement that it will be contributed to a campaign committee or any candidate or holder of the public office of Governor, or to any State or county party committee; (v) engage or employ a lobbyist or consultant with the intent or understanding that such lobbyist or consultant would make or solicit any contribution, which if made or solicited by the business entity itself, would subject that entity to the restrictions of EO 134; (vi) fund contributions made by third parties, including consultants, attorneys, family members, and employees; (vii) engage in any exchange of contributions to circumvent the intent of EO 134; or (viii) directly or indirectly through or by any other person or means, do any act which would subject that entity to the restrictions of EO 134.

5.30.3 CERTIFICATION AND DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

- a) The State shall not enter into a contract to procure from any Business Entity services or any material, supplies or equipment, or to acquire, sell or lease any land or building, where the value of the transaction exceeds \$17,500, if that Business Entity has solicited or made any contribution of money, or pledge of contribution, including in-kind contributions to a candidate committee and/or election fund of any candidate for or holder of the public office of Governor, or to any State or county political party committee during certain specified time periods. Accordingly, the Business Entity shall submit with its bid proposal Executive Order 134 Certification(s) in the form set forth in [Appendix 3](#) attached hereto, certifying that no contributions prohibited by Executive Order 134 have been made by the Business Entity. A separate Certification is required for each person or organization defined above as a Business Entity. Failure to submit the Certification(s) with the Bid Proposal shall be cause for automatic rejection of the bid proposal.

b) Prior to awarding any contract or agreement to any Business Entity, the Business Entity proposed as the intended awardee of the contract shall report all contributions the Business Entity made during the preceding four years to any political organization organized under 26 U.S.C.527 of the Internal Revenue Code that also meets the definition of a “continuing political committee” within the mean of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-3(n) and N.J.A.C. 19:25-1.7, in the form of the Disclosure attached hereto as [Appendix 4](#). A separate Disclosure is required for each person or organization defined above as a Business Entity. Upon receipt of a Notice of Intent to Award a Contract, the intended awardee shall submit to the Division, in care of the Purchase Bureau Buyer, the Disclosure(s) within five (5) business days of the State’s request.

c) Further, the Contractor is required, on a continuing basis, to report any contributions it makes during the term of the contract, and any extension(s) thereof, at the time any such contribution is made. A copy of the Continuing Disclosure of Political Contributions is attached hereto as [Appendix 5](#). A separate disclosure is required for each person or organization defined above as a business entity.

5.30.4 STATE TREASURER REVIEW

The State Treasurer or his designee shall review the Disclosures submitted pursuant to this section, as well as any other pertinent information concerning the contributions or reports thereof by the intended awardee, prior to award, or during the term of the contract, by the contractor. If the State Treasurer determines that any contribution or action by the contractor constitutes a breach of contract that poses a conflict of interest in the awarding of the contract under this solicitation, the State Treasurer shall disqualify the Business Entity from award of such contract.

5.31 Substitution of Section 2.2 Language of the State's Standard Terms and Conditions.

The contractor's liability to the State for actual, direct damages resulting from the contractor's performance or non-performance, or in any manner related to the contract, for any and all claims, shall be limited in the aggregate to 150% of the value of the contract, except that such limitation of liability shall not apply to the following:

- 1.The contractor's obligation to indemnify the State of New Jersey and its employees from and against any claim, demand, loss, damage or expense relating to bodily injury or the death of any person or damage to real property or tangible personal property, incurred from the work or materials supplied by the contractor under the contract caused by negligence or willful misconduct of the contractor;
- 2.The contractor's breach of its obligations of confidentiality; and,
- 3.Contractor's liability with respect to copyright indemnification.

The contractor's indemnification obligation is not limited by but is in addition to the insurance obligations contained in Section 2.3 of the Standard Terms and Conditions.

The contractor shall not be liable for special, consequential, or incidental damages.

6.0. PROPOSAL EVALUATION/CONTRACT AWARD

6.1. PROPOSAL EVALUATION COMMITTEE

Bid proposals may be evaluated by an Evaluation Committee composed of members of affected departments and agencies together with representative(s) from the Purchase Bureau. Representatives from other governmental agencies may also serve on the Evaluation Committee. On occasion, the Evaluation Committee may choose to make use of the expertise of outside consultant in an advisory role.

6.2. ORAL PRESENTATION AND/OR CLARIFICATION OF BID PROPOSAL

A bidder may be required to give an oral presentation to the Evaluation Committee concerning its bid proposal. The Evaluation Committee may also require a bidder to submit written responses to questions regarding its bid proposal.

The purpose of such communication with a bidder, either through an oral presentation or a letter of clarification, is to provide an opportunity for the bidder to clarify or elaborate on its bid proposal. Original bid proposals submitted, however, cannot be supplemented, changed, or corrected in any way. No comments regarding other bid proposals are permitted. The bidder may not attend presentations made by their competitors.

It is within the Evaluation Committee's discretion whether to require a bidder to give an oral presentation or require a bidder to submit written responses to questions regarding its bid proposal. Action by the Evaluation Committee in this regard should not be construed to imply acceptance or rejection of a bid proposal. The Purchase Bureau buyer will be the sole point of contact regarding any request for an oral presentation or clarification.

6.3. EVALUATION CRITERIA

The following evaluation criteria categories, not necessarily listed in order of significance, will be used to evaluate bid proposals received in response to this RFP. The evaluation criteria categories may be used to develop more detailed evaluation criteria to be used in the evaluation process:

6.3.1. THE BIDDER'S GENERAL APPROACH AND PLANS IN MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS RFP

- A. The bidder's general approach and plans in meeting the requirements of this RFP.
- B. The bidder's detailed approach and plans to perform the services required by the Scope of Work of this RFP.
- C. The bidder's documented experience in successfully completing contracts of a similar size and scope to the work required by this RFP.
- D. The qualifications and experience of the bidder's management, supervisory or other key personnel assigned to the contract, with emphasis on documented experience in successfully completing work on contracts of similar size and scope to the work required by this RFP.
- E. The overall ability of the bidder to mobilize, undertake and successfully complete the contract. This judgment will include, but not be limited to, the following factors: the number and qualifications of management, supervisory and other staff proposed by the bidder to complete the contract, the availability and commitment to the contract of the bidder's management, supervisory and other staff proposed and the bidder's contract management plan, including the bidder's contract organizational chart.
- F. The bidder's cost proposal.

6.4. CONTRACT AWARD

The contract shall be awarded with reasonable promptness by written notice to three (3) bidders for each line item, one of which will be a Small Business Enterprise, whose bid proposal, conforming to the RFP, will be most advantageous to the State, price and other factors considered. If there are no qualified bids for any line item from a Small Business Enterprise, award may be made to a non Small Business Enterprise. Any or all bids may be rejected when the State Treasurer or the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property determines that it is in the public interest so to do.

7.0. Bidder Data Sheets Bidder(s)' Capabilities, Organizational Support and Experience/Technical Proposal

Not applicable to this procurement.

8.0 Price Sheet(s) and Supporting Detail

9.0 Exhibits/Attachments

- 9.1 ATTACHMENT 1: SUMMARY OF PRODUCTS/PRICE SHEET
- 9.2 ATTACHMENT 2: NETWORK SERVICES PRICE SHEET
- 9.3 ATTACHMENT 3: QUARTERLY REPORTING TEMPLATE

10.0 ATTACHMENTS, SUPPLEMENTS AND APPENDICES

ATTACHMENTS - To be submitted with bid proposal.

- 1. [Ownership Disclosure Form](#)
- 2. [MacBride Principles Form](#)
- 3. [Affirmative Action Supplement Forms](#)
- 4. [Subcontractor Set Aside Forms](#)
- 5. [Reciprocity Form](#) (*Optional Submittal*)
- 6. [Cooperative Purchasing Form](#)

APPENDICES

- 1. [New Jersey Standard Terms and Conditions](#)
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- 4. [Disclosure of Political Contributions](#)
- 5. [Continuing Disclosure of Political Contributions](#)

ATTACHMENT 1 - OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM

OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
DIVISION OF PURCHASE & PROPERTY
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
33 W. STATE ST., 9TH FLOOR
PO BOX 230
TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625-0230

BIDDER: _____

INSTRUCTIONS: Provide below the names, home addresses, dates of birth, offices held and any ownership interest of all officers of the firm named above. If additional space is necessary, provide on an attached sheet.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>HOME ADDRESS</u>	<u>DATE OF BIRTH</u>	<u>OFFICE HELD</u>	<u>OWNERSHIP INTEREST</u> (Shares Owned or % of Partnership)
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

INSTRUCTIONS: Provide below the names, home addresses, dates of birth, and ownership interest of all individuals not listed above, and any partnerships, corporations and any other owner having a 10% or greater interest in the firm named above. If a listed owner is a corporation or partnership, provide below the same information for the holders of 10% or more interest in that corporation or partnership. If additional space is necessary, provide that information on an attached sheet. **If there are no owners with 10% or more interest in your firm, enter "None" below.** Complete the certification at the bottom of this form. If this form has previously been submitted to the Purchase Bureau in connection with another bid, indicate changes, if any, where appropriate, and complete the certification below.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>HOME ADDRESS</u>	<u>DATE OF BIRTH</u>	<u>OFFICE HELD</u>	<u>OWNERSHIP INTEREST</u> (Shares Owned or % of Partnership)
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

COMPLETE ALL QUESTIONS BELOW

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
1. Within the past five years has another company or corporation had a 10% or greater interest in the firm identified above? (If yes, complete and attach a separate disclosure form reflecting previous ownership interests.)	_____	_____
2. Has any person or entity listed in this form or its attachments ever been arrested, charged, indicted or convicted in a criminal or disorderly persons matter by the State of New Jersey, any other State or the U.S. Government? (If yes, attach a detailed explanation for each instance)	_____	_____
3. Has any person or entity listed in this form or its attachments ever been suspended, debarred or otherwise declared ineligible by any agency of government from bidding or contracting to provide services, labor, material, or supplies? (If yes, attach a detailed explanation for each instance)	_____	_____
4. Are there now any criminal matters or debarment proceedings pending in which the firm and/or its officers and/or managers are involved? (If yes, attach a detailed explanation for each instance)	_____	_____
5. Has any Federal, State or Local license, permit or other similar authorization, necessary to perform the work applied for herein and held or applied for by any person or entity listed in this form, been suspended or revoked, or been the subject or any pending proceedings specifically seeking or litigating the issue of suspension or revocation? (If yes, attach a detailed explanation for each instance)	_____	_____

CERTIFICATION: I, being duly sworn upon my oath, hereby represent and state that the foregoing information and any attachments thereto to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge that the State of New Jersey is relying on the information contained herein and thereby acknowledge that **I am under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contracts with the State to notify the State in writing of any changes to the answers or information contained herein.** I acknowledge that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification, and if I do so, I recognize that I am subject to criminal prosecution under the law and that it will also constitute a material breach of my agreement(s) with the State of New Jersey and that the State at its option, may declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

I, being duly authorized, certify that the information supplied above, including all attached pages, is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge, I certify that all of the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

PRINT OR TYPE: _____ (Signature)

PRINT OR TYPE: _____ (Name)

PRINT OR TYPE: _____ (Title)

FEIN/SSN#: _____

Date _____

ATTACHMENT 2 - MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES FORM

NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS
REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE A CERTIFICATION
IN COMPLIANCE WITH MACBRIDE PRINCIPLES
AND NORTHERN IRELAND ACT OF 1989

Pursuant to Public Law 1995, c. 134, a responsible bidder selected, after public bidding, by the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-12, or the Director of the Division of Building and Construction, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-2, must complete the certification below by checking one of the two representations listed and signing where indicated. If a bidder who would otherwise be awarded a purchase, contract or agreement does not complete the certification, then the Directors may determine, in accordance with applicable law and rules, that it is in the best interest of the State to award the purchase, contract or agreement to another bidder who has completed the certification and has submitted a bid within five (5) percent of the most advantageous bid. If the Directors find contractors to be in violation of the principles which are the subject of this law, they shall take such action as may be appropriate and provided by law, rule or contract, including but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, declaring the party in default and seeking debarment or suspension of the party.

I certify, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-12.2 that the entity for which I am authorized to bid:

- _____ has no ongoing business activities in Northern Ireland and does not maintain a physical presence therein through the operation of offices, plants, factories, or similar facilities, either directly or indirectly, through intermediaries, subsidiaries or affiliated companies over which it maintains effective control; or
- _____ will take lawful steps in good faith to conduct any business operations it has in Northern Ireland in accordance with the MacBride principles of nondiscrimination in employment as set forth in N.J.S.A. 52:18A-89.8 and in conformance with the United Kingdom's Fair Employment (Northern Ireland) Act of 1989, and permit independent monitoring of their compliance with those principles.

I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

Signature of Bidder

Name (Type or Print)

Title Name (Type or Print)

Name of Company Name (Type or Print)

Date

ATTACHMENT 3 – AFFIRMATIVE ACTION SUPPLEMENT

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION	TERM CONTRACT - ADVERTISED BID PROPOSAL
DEPT OF THE TREASURY DIVISION OF PURCHASE & PROPERTY STATE OF NEW JERSEY 33 WEST STATE STREET, 9TH FLOOR PO BOX 230 TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625-0230	NAME OF BIDDER: <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin-top: 5px;"/>
SUPPLEMENT TO BID SPECIFICATIONS	
<p>DURING THE PERFORMANCE OF THIS CONTRACT, THE CONTRACTOR AGREES AS FOLLOWS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. THE CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR, WHERE APPLICABLE, WILL NOT DISCRIMINATE AGAINST ANY EMPLOYEE OR APPLICANT FOR EMPLOYMENT BECAUSE OF AGE, RACE, CREED, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ANCESTRY, MARITAL STATUS, SEX, AFFECTIONAL OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION. THE CONTRACTOR WILL TAKE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION TO ENSURE THAT SUCH APPLICANTS ARE RECRUITED AND EMPLOYED, AND THAT EMPLOYEES ARE TREATED DURING EMPLOYMENT, WITHOUT REGARD TO THEIR AGE, RACE, CREED, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ANCESTRY, MARITAL STATUS, SEX, AFFECTIONAL OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION. SUCH ACTION SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING: EMPLOYMENT, UPGRADING, DEMOTION, OR TRANSFER; RECRUITMENT OR RECRUITMENT ADVERTISING; LAYOFF OR TERMINATION; RATES OF PAY OR OTHER FORMS OF COMPENSATION; AND SELECTION FOR TRAINING, INCLUDING APPRENTICESHIP. THE CONTRACTOR AGREES TO POST IN CONSPICUOUS PLACES, AVAILABLE TO EMPLOYEES AND APPLICANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT, NOTICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER SETTING FORTH PROVISIONS OF THIS NONDISCRIMINATION CLAUSE; 2. THE CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR, WHERE APPLICABLE WILL, IN ALL SOLICITATIONS OR ADVERTISEMENTS ,FOR EMPLOYEES PLACED BY OR ON BEHALF OF THE CONTRACTOR, STATE THAT ALL QUALIFIED APPLICANTS WILL RECEIVE CONSIDERATION FOR EMPLOYMENT WITHOUT REGARD TO AGE, RACE, CREED, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ANCESTRY, MARITAL STATUS, SEX, AFFECTIONAL OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION. 3. THE CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR, WHERE APPLICABLE, WILL SEND TO EACH LABOR UNION OR REPRESENTATIVE OR WORKERS WITH WHICH IT HAS A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT OR OTHER CONTRACT OR UNDERSTANDING, A NOTICE, TO BE PROVIDED BY THE AGENCY CONTRACTING OFFICER ADVISING THE LABOR UNION OR WORKERS' REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CONTRACTOR'S COMMITMENTS UNDER THIS ACT AND SHALL POST COPIES OF THE NOTICE IN CONSPICUOUS PLACES AVAILABLE TO EMPLOYEES AND APPLICANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT. 4. THE CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR, WHERE APPLICABLE, AGREES TO COMPLY WITH THE REGULATIONS PROMULGATED BY THE TREASURER PURSUANT TO P.L. 1975, C. 127, AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED FROM TIME TO TIME AND THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. 5. THE CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR AGREES TO ATTEMPT IN GOOD FAITH TO EMPLOY MINORITY AND FEMALE WORKERS CONSISTENT WITH THE APPLICABLE COUNTY EMPLOYMENT GOALS PRESCRIBED BY N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2 PROMULGATED BY THE TREASURER PURSUANT TO P.L. 1975, C. 127, AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED FROM TIME TO TIME OR IN ACCORDANCE WITH A BINDING DETERMINATION OF THE APPLICABLE COUNTY EMPLOYMENT GOALS DETERMINED BY THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION OFFICE PURSUANT TO N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2 PROMULGATED BY THE TREASURER PURSUANT TO P.L. 1975, C. 127, AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED FROM TIME TO TIME. 6. THE CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR AGREES TO INFORM IN WRITING APPROPRIATE RECRUITMENT AGENCIES IN THE AREA, INCLUDING EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES, PLACEMENT BUREAUS, COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES, LABOR UNIONS, THAT IT DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE ON THE BASIS OF AGE, CREED, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ANCESTRY, MARITAL STATUS, SEX, AFFECTIONAL OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION, AND THAT IT WILL DISCONTINUE THE USE OF ANY RECRUITMENT AGENCY WHICH ENGAGES IN DIRECT OR INDIRECT DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES. 7. THE CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR AGREES TO REVISE ANY OF ITS TESTING PROCEDURES, IF NECESSARY, TO ASSURE THAT ALL PERSONNEL TESTING CONFORMS WITH THE PRINCIPLES OF JOB-RELATED TESTING, AS ESTABLISHED BY THE STATUTES AND COURT DECISIONS OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY AND AS ESTABLISHED BY APPLICABLE FEDERAL LAW AND APPLICABLE FEDERAL COURT DECISIONS. 8. THE CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR AGREES TO REVIEW ALL PROCEDURES RELATING TO TRANSFER, UPGRADING, DOWNGRADING AND LAYOFF TO ENSURE THAT ALL SUCH ACTIONS ARE TAKEN WITHOUT REGARD TO AGE, CREED, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ANCESTRY, MARITAL STATUS, SEX, AFFECTIONAL OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION, AND CONFORM WITH THE APPLICABLE EMPLOYMENT GOALS, CONSISTENT WITH THE STATUTES AND COURT DECISIONS OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AND APPLICABLE FEDERAL LAW AND APPLICABLE FEDERAL COURT DECISIONS. <p>THE CONTRACTOR AND ITS SUBCONTRACTORS SHALL FURNISH SUCH REPORTS OR OTHER DOCUMENTS TO THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION OFFICE AS MAY BE REQUESTED BY THE OFFICE FROM TIME TO TIME IN ORDER TO CARRY OUT THE PURPOSES OF THESE REGULATIONS, AND PUBLIC AGENCIES SHALL FURNISH SUCH INFORMATION AS MAY BE REQUESTED BY THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION OFFICE FOR CONDUCTING A COMPLIANCE INVESTIGATION PURSUANT TO SUBCHAPTER 10 OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE (NJAC17:27).</p> <p>* NO FIRM MAY BE ISSUED A PURCHASE ORDER OR CONTRACT WITH THE STATE UNLESS THEY COMPLY WITH THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION REGULATIONS</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>PLEASE CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX (ONE ONLY)</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I HAVE A CURRENT NEW JERSEY AFFIRMATIVE ACTION CERTIFICATE, (PLEASE ATTACH A COPY TO YOUR PROPOSAL).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I HAVE A VALID FEDERAL AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PLAN APPROVAL LETTER, (PLEASE ATTACH A COPY TO YOUR PROPOSAL).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I HAVE COMPLETED THE ENCLOSED FORM AA302 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT.</p>	

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT (FORM AA302)

IMPORTANT:

READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING THE FORM. PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION. FAILURE TO PROPERLY COMPLETE THE ENTIRE FORM MAY DELAY ISSUANCE OF YOUR CERTIFICATE.

Item 1 - Enter the Federal Identification Number assigned to the Contractor or vendor by the Internal Revenue Service, or if a Federal Employer Identification Number has been applied for, but not yet issued, write the words "applied for",

or

If your business is such that you have not, or will not receive a Federal Employer Identification Number, enter the Social Security Number assigned to the single owner or to a partner, in case of partnership.

Item 2 - Check the box appropriate to your TYPE OF BUSINESS. If you are engaged in more than one type of business, check the predominant one. If you are a manufacturer deriving more than 50% of your receipts from your own retail outlets, check "Retail".

Item 3 - Enter the total "number" of employees in the entire company, including part-time employees. This number shall include all facilities in the entire firm or corporation.

Item 4 - Enter the name by which the company is identified. If there is more than one company name, enter the predominant one.

Item 5 - Enter the physical location of the company, include City, County, State and Zip Code.

Item 6 - Enter the name of any parent or affiliated company including City, State and Zip Code. If there is none, so indicate by entering "None" or N/A.

Item 7 - Check the appropriate box for the total number of employees in the entire company. "Entire Company" shall include all facilities in the entire firm or corporation, including part-time employees, not use those employees at the facility being awarded the contract.

Item 8 - Check the box appropriate to your type of company establishment. Single-establishment Employer shall include an employer whose business is conducted at more than one location.

Item 9 - If multi-establishment was entered in Item 8, enter the number of establishments within the State of New Jersey.

Item 10 - Enter the total number of employees at the establishment being awarded the contract.

Item 11 - Enter the name of the Public Agency awarding the contract. Include City, State and Zip Code.

Item 12 - Enter the appropriate figures on all lines and in all columns. THIS SHALL ONLY INCLUDE EMPLOYMENT DATA FROM THE FACILITY THAT IS BEING AWARDED THE CONTRACT. DO NOT list the same employee in more than one job category.

Racial/Ethnic Groups will be so defined:

Black: Not of Hispanic origin. Persons have origin in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.

Hispanic: Persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban or Central or South American or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

American Indian or Alaskan Native: Persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America, and who maintain cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.

Asian or Pacific Islander: Persons having origin in any of the peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Subcontinent or the Pacific Islands. This area includes for example, China, Japan, the Philippine Islands and Somoa.

Item 13 - Check the appropriate box, if the race or ethnic group information was not obtained by 1 or 2, specify by what other means this was done in 3.

Item 14 - Enter the dates of the payroll period used to prepare the employment data presented in Item 12.

Item 15 - If this is the first time an Employee Information Report has been submitted for this company, check block "Yes".

Item 16 - If the answer to Item 15 is "No", enter the date when the last Employee Information Report was submitted by this company.

Item 17 - Print or type the name of the person completing this form. Include the signature, title and date.

Item 18 - Enter the physical location where the form is being completed. Include City, State, Zip Code and Phone Number.

State of New Jersey

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT

IMPORTANT - READ INSTRUCTIONS ON PRIOR PAGE CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING FORM. TYPE OR PRINT SHARP BALL POINT PEN. FAILURE TO PROPERLY COMPLETE THE ENTIRE FORM MAY DELAY ISSUANCE OF YOUR CERTIFICATE.

SECTION A - COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

1. FID. NO. OR SOCIAL SECURITY	2. TYPE OF BUSINESS <input type="checkbox"/> 1. MFG. <input type="checkbox"/> 2. SERVICE <input type="checkbox"/> 3. WHOLESALE <input type="checkbox"/> 4. RETAIL <input type="checkbox"/> 5. OTHER	3. TOTAL NO. OF EMPLOYEES IN THE ENTIRE COMPANY
4. COMPANY NAME		
5. STREET	CITY	COUNTY STATE ZIP CODE
6. NAME OF PARENT OR AFFILIATED COMPANY (IF NONE, SO INDICATE)		CITY STATE ZIP CODE
7. DOES THE ENTIRE COMPANY HAVE A TOTAL OF AT LEAST 50 EMPLOYEES? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
8. CHECK ONE: IS THE COMPANY: <input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE-ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYER <input type="checkbox"/> MULTI-ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYER		
9. IF MULTI-ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYER, STATE THE NUMBER OF ESTABLISHMENTS IN N.J.: []		
10. TOTAL NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES AT THE ESTABLISHMENT WHICH HAS BEEN AWARDED THE CONTRACT: []		
11. PUBLIC AGENCY AWARDED CONTRACT:		CITY STATE ZIP CODE

OFFICIAL USE ONLY

DATE RECEIVED		OUT OF STATE PERCENTAGES	ASSIGNED CERTIFICATION NUMBER
MO/DAY/YR	COUNTY	MINORITY FEMALE	

SECTION B - EMPLOYMENT DATA

12. Report all permanent, temporary and part-time employees ON YOUR OWN PAYROLL. Enter the appropriate figures on all lines and in all columns. Where there are no employees in a particular category, enter a zero. Include ALL employees, not just those in minority categories, in columns 1, 2, & 3.

JOB CATEGORIES	ALL EMPLOYEES			MINORITY GROUP EMPLOYEES (PERMANENT)							
	Col. 1 TOTAL (Cols. 2&3)	Col. 2 MALE	Col. 3 FEMALE	MALE				FEMALE			
				BLACK	HISPANIC	AMERICAN INDIAN	ASIAN	BLACK	HISPANIC	AMERICAN INDIAN	ASIAN
Officials and Managers											
Professionals											
Technicians											
Sales Workers											
Office and Clerical											
Craftworkers (Skilled)											
Operatives (Semi-skilled)											
Laborers (Unskilled)											
Service Workers											
TOTAL											
Total employment from Previous Report (if any)											

The data below shall NOT be included in the request for the categories above.

Temporary and Part-time Employees											
13. HOW WAS INFORMATION AS TO RACE OR ETHNIC GROUP IN SECTION B OBTAINED? <input type="checkbox"/> 1. VISUAL SURVEY <input type="checkbox"/> 2. EMPLOYMENT RECORD <input type="checkbox"/> 3. OTHER (SPECIFY)						15. IS THIS THE FIRST EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT (AA.302) SUBMITTED? <input type="checkbox"/> 1. YES <input type="checkbox"/> 2. NO			16. IF NO, DATE OF LAST REPORT SUBMITTED MO. DAY YEAR		
14. DATES OF PAYROLL PERIOD USED											

SECTION C - SIGNATURE AND IDENTIFICATION

17. NAME OF PERSON COMPLETING FORM (PRINT OR TYPE)(?CONTRACTOR EEO OFFICER)	SIGNATURE	TITLE	MO. DAY YEAR
18. ADDRESS (NO. & STREET)	(CITY)	(STATE)	(ZIP CODE) PHONE (AREA CODE, NO. & EXTENSION)

FORM AA302

ATTACHMENT 4 - SUBCONTRACTOR SET ASIDE FORMS

NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS

NOTICE OF INTENT TO SUBCONTRACT FORM

SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION PLAN FORM

PROCEDURES FOR SMALL BUSINESS PARTICIPATION AS SUBCONTRACTORS

If the bidder intends to utilize any subcontractors during the course of the contract(s) to be awarded as a result of this Request for Proposal (RFP), the bidder will include small business subcontracting targets pursuant to NJAC 17:13-4. and Executive Order 71. Each bidder is required to make a good faith effort to meet the set-aside subcontracting targets of awarding a total of twenty-five percent (25%) of the value of the contract to New Jersey-based, New Jersey Commerce and Economic Growth Commission-registered (Commerce) small businesses, with a minimum of five (5) percent awarded to each of the three categories set forth below, and the balance of ten (10) percent spread across the three categories. **All bidders must complete the Notice of Intent to Subcontract form.** Failure to include a completed and signed *Notice of Intent to Subcontract* form will be sufficient cause to reject a bidder's proposal as non-responsive.

Pursuant to Section 3.11 of the Standard Terms and Conditions, **any bidder intending to subcontract must also complete the Subcontractor Utilization Plan (Plan).** Bidders are instructed to list ***all*** proposed subcontractors on the *Plan*. A bidder intending to subcontract must include a completed and signed *Plan* or be subject to rejection of its proposal as non-responsive.

DEFINITIONS:

"Small business" means a business that

- ☐ is independently owned and operated
- ☐ is incorporated or registered in and has its principal place of business located in the State of New Jersey.
- ☐ Has 100 or fewer full-time employees
- ☐ Has gross revenues falling in one of the following three categories:
 1. 0 to \$500,000 (Category I);
 2. \$500,001 to \$5,000,000 (Category II);
 3. \$5,000,001 to \$12,000,000 (Category III).

"Commerce-registered" means a small business that meets the requirements and definitions of "small business" and has applied for and been approved by Commerce as a small business.

PROCEDURE:

If a bidder intends to subcontract, the following actions should be taken to achieve the set-aside subcontracting goal requirements:

1. Attempt to locate eligible small businesses in Categories I, II and III appropriate to the RFP;
2. Request a listing of small businesses by Category from Commerce;
3. Record efforts to locate eligible businesses, including the names of businesses contacted and the means and results of such contacts;
4. Provide all potential subcontractors with detailed information regarding the specifications;
5. Attempt, whenever possible, to negotiate prices with potential subcontractors submitting higher than acceptable price quotes;
6. Obtain, in writing, the consent of any proposed subcontractor to use its name in response to the RFP; and,
7. Maintain adequate records documenting efforts to achieve the set-aside subcontracting goals.

Proposals should also contain the following items with the *Plan*, as applicable:

1. A copy of Commerce's proof of registration as a small business for any business proposed as a subcontractor; and,
2. Documentation of the bidder's good faith effort to meet the targets of the set-aside subcontracting requirement in sufficient detail to permit the Evaluation Committee to effectively assess the bidder's efforts to comply if the bidder has failed to attain the statutory goals.

If awarded the contract, the bidder shall notify each subcontractor listed in the *Plan*, in writing.

Note that a bidder's failure to satisfy the small business subcontracting targets or provide sufficient documentation of its good faith efforts to meet the targets may preclude award of a contract to the bidder.

Bidders seeking eligible small businesses should contact:

New Jersey Commerce and Economic Growth Commission
Office of Small Business
20 West State Street
PO Box 820
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0820

Telephone: (609) 292-2146

Each bidder awarded a contract for a procurement which contains the set-aside subcontracting goal requirement shall fully cooperate in any studies or surveys which may be conducted by the State to determine the extent of the bidder's compliance with NJAC 17:13-1.1 et seq., and this *Notice to All Bidders*.

REQUIRED SUBMISSION

STATE OF NEW JERSEY DIVISION OF PURCHASE AND PROPERTY (DPP)

NOTICE OF INTENT TO SUBCONTRACT FORM

THIS ***NOTICE OF INTENT TO SUBCONTRACT*** FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND INCLUDED AS PART OF EACH BIDDER'S PROPOSAL. FAILURE TO SUBMIT THIS FORM WILL BE CAUSE FOR REJECTION OF THE BID AS NON-RESPONSIVE.

DPP Solicitation Number:	DPP Solicitation Title:
Bidder's Name and Address:	

INSTRUCTIONS: PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE BELOW LISTED BOXES:

☐ **If awarded this contract, I will engage subcontractors to provide certain goods and/or services.**

ALL BIDDERS THAT INTEND TO ENGAGE SUBCONTRACTORS MUST ALSO SUBMIT A COMPLETED AND CERTIFIED ***SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION PLAN*** WITH THEIR BID PROPOSALS.

☐ **If awarded this contract, I do not intend to engage subcontractors to provide any goods and/or services.**

ALL BIDDERS THAT DO NOT INTEND TO ENGAGE SUBCONTRACTORS MUST ATTEST TO THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that if the award is granted to my firm and if I determine at any time during the course of the contract to engage subcontractors to provide certain goods and/or services, pursuant to Section 3.11 of the Standard Terms and Conditions, I will submit the ***Subcontractor Utilization Plan (Plan)*** for approval to the Division of Purchase and Property in advance of any such engagement of subcontractors. Additionally, I certify that in engaging subcontractors, I will make a good faith effort to achieve the subcontracting set-aside goals established for this contract, and I will attach to the ***Plan*** documentation of such efforts in accordance with NJAC 17:13-4 and the ***Notice to All Bidders***.

PRINCIPAL OF FIRM:

(Signature)

(Title)

(Date)

REQUIRED SUBMISSION IF BIDDER INTENDS TO SUBCONTRACT

STATE OF NEW JERSEY \ DIVISION OF PURCHASE AND PROPERTY (DPP) SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION PLAN (REFERENCED IN RFP STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS)			DPP Solicitation No.:		
NOTE: If utilizing subcontractors, failure to submit this properly completed form will be sufficient cause for rejection of the bid as non-responsive.			DPP Solicitation Title:		
Bidder's Name and Address:			• Bidder's Telephone No.: _____ • Bidder's Contact Person: _____		
INSTRUCTIONS: List all businesses to be used as subcontractors. This form may be duplicated for extended lists.					
SUBCONTRACTOR'S NAME ADDRESS, ZIP CODE TELEPHONE NUMBER AND VENDOR ID NUMBER	REGISTERED WITH NJ COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC GROWTH COMMISSION *			TYPE(S) OF GOODS OR SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED	ESTIMATED VALUE OF SUBCONTRACTS
	SMALL BUSINESS CATEGORY				
	I	II	III		

* For those Bidders listing Small Business Subcontractors: Attach copies of NJ Commerce & Economic Growth Commission registration for each subcontractor listed. If bidder has not achieved established subcontracting set-aside goals, also attach documentation of good faith effort to do so in the relevant category in accordance with NJAC17:13-4 and the Notice to All Bidders.

I hereby certify that this Subcontractor Utilization Plan (Plan) is being submitted in good faith. I certify that each subcontractor has been notified that it has been listed on this Plan and that each subcontractor has consented, in writing, to its name being submitted for this contract. Additionally, I certify that I shall notify each subcontractor listed on the Plan, in writing, if the award is granted to my firm, and I shall make all documentation available to the Division of Purchase and Property upon request.

I further certify that all information contained in this Plan is true and correct and I acknowledge that the State will rely on the truth of the information in awarding the contract.

PRINCIPAL OF FIRM:

(Signature)

(Title)

(Date)

ATTACHMENT 5 - RECIPROCITY FORM

RECIPROCITY FORM **(Optional Submission)**

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS

Effective October 7, 1991 in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:32-1.4 and N.J.A.C. 17:12-2.13, the State of New Jersey will invoke reciprocal action against an out-of-State bidder whose State or locality maintains a preference practice for their bidders.

For States having preference laws, regulations, or practices, New Jersey will use the annual surveys compiled by the Council of State Governments, National Association of State Purchasing Officials, or the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing to invoke reciprocal actions. The State may obtain additional information anytime it deems appropriate to supplement the above survey information.

Any bidder may submit information related to preference practices enacted for a local entity outside the State of New Jersey. This information may be submitted in writing as part of the bid response proposal, and should be in the form of resolutions passed by an appropriate governing body, regulations, a Notice to Bidders, laws, etc. It is the responsibility of the bidder to provide the documentation with the bid proposal or submit it to the Director, Division of Purchase and Property within five (5) working days of the public bid opening. Written evidence for a specific procurement that is not provided to the Director within five working days of the public bid opening will not be considered in the evaluation of that procurement, but will be retained and considered in the evaluation of subsequent procurements.

Any bidder having evidence of out-of-State local entities invoking preference practices should complete the form below, with a copy of appropriate documentation. The form and documentation may be submitted with your bid response proposal.

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Name of Locality having preference practices:

City /Town/Authority	
County	
State	

☐ Documentation Attached

☐ Resolution ☐ Regulations/Laws
☐ Notice to Bidder ☐ Other _____

Name of Firm Submitting this information _____

Please Print

ATTACHMENT 6 - COOPERATIVE PURCHASING FORM

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY PURCHASE BUREAU STATE OF NEW JERSEY 33 WEST STATE STREET PO BOX 230 TRENTON, NJ 08625-0230	NUMBER: BID OPEN DATE: TIME: T-NUMBER: BIDDERS NAME: BIDDERS FID:
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IMPORTANT NOTICE

BIDDERS ARE ADVISED TO REVIEW THE ATTACHED REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) AND ANSWER THE CONTRACT EXTENSION QUESTION LISTED BELOW.

AGREEMENT TO EXTEND STATE CONTRACT TERMS TO QUASI-STATE AGENCIES, COUNTIES, MUNICIPALITIES, SCHOOL DISTRICTS, COUNTY COLLEGES AND STATE COLLEGES

THE QUESTION BELOW ELICITS THE BIDDER'S ADVANCE AGREEMENT TO OR REJECTION OF THE USE OF THIS STATE CONTRACT BY THE FOLLOWING ENTITIES:

N.J.S.A. 52:27B-56.1 PERMITS THE PARTICIPATION OF QUASI-STATE AGENCIES IN STATE CONTRACTS.

N.J.S.A. 52:25-16.1 ALLOWS THE DIRECTOR TO EXTEND IN ADVANCE THE LOCAL USE OF STATE CONTRACTS BY INCLUDING A PROVISION FOR SUCH PURCHASES IN THE STATE CONTRACT.

N.J. S.A. 52 :25-16.2 PERMITS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS,
SQUADS TO PARTICIPATE IN STATE CONTRACTS.

VOLUNTEER FIRST AID SQUADS AND RESCUE

N.J.S.A. 52:25-16.5 PERMITS INDEPENDENT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO PARTICIPATE IN STATE CONTRACTS.

N.J.S.A. 18A:64A-25.9 PERMITS ANY COLLEGE TO PARTICIPATE IN STATE CONTRACTS.

N.J.S.A. 18A:64-60 PERMITS ANY STATE COLLEGE TO PARTICIPATE IN STATE CONTRACTS.

N.J.S.A. 40:11-12 AND N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-10 TO ALLOW COUNTIES. MUNICIPALITIES AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO USE SUCH STATE CONTRACTS AND TO DEAL "DIRECTLY" WITH STATE CONTRACT VENDORS INSTEAD OF BIDDING THE ITEMS.

THE SAME PRICE MUST BE ESTABLISHED FOR THE STATE AND FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS; OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS ALSO MUST BE THE SAME UNLESS A PARTICULAR TERM OR CONDITION IS SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFIED OTHERWISE IN THE RFP BY THE STATE.

A BIDDER'S WILLINGNESS OR UNWILLINGNESS TO EXTEND WILL "NOT" BE A FACTOR IN DETERMINING THE STATE AWARD. THE DIRECTOR WILL "NOT" AWARD A SEPARATE CONTRACT FOR LOCAL USE. THE VENDOR MAY NOT CHANGE HIS DECISION DURING THE CONTRACT TERM.

DO YOU AGREE TO EXTEND ANY STATE CONTRACTS AWARDED AS A RESULT OF THIS RFP TO THE AFOREMENTIONED ENTITIES AT THE SAME PRICE AND COMMON TERMS AND CONDITIONS?

YES _____

NO _____

IF THE BIDDER DOES NOT CHECK "YES" OR "NO" TO THE ABOVE QUESTION, THE ANSWER WILL BE CONSIDERED AS "NO" .

NOTE: NO CONTRACT WILL BE EXTENDED TO THESE ENTITIES UNLESS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF PURCHASE AND PROPERTY SPECIFICALLY PROVIDES FOR THE EXTENSION AT THE TIME OF THE AWARD.

APPENDIX 1 NJ STATE STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

STATE OF NEW JERSEY STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- I. Unless the bidder is specifically instructed otherwise In the Request for Proposal, the following terms and conditions will apply to all contracts or purchase agreements made with the State of New Jersey. These terms are in addition to the terms and conditions set forth in the Request for Proposal (RFP) and should be read in conjunction with same unless the RFP specifically indicates otherwise. If a bidder proposes changes or modifications or takes exception to any of the State's terms and conditions, the bidder must so state specifically in writing in the bid proposal. Any proposed change, modification or exception in the State's terms and conditions by a bidder will be a factor in the determination of an award of a contractor purchase agreement.
- II. All of the State's terms and conditions will become a part of any contract(s) or order(s) awarded as a result of the Request for Proposal, whether stated in part, in summary or by reference. In the event the bidder's terms and conditions conflict with the State's, the State's terms and conditions will prevail, unless the bidder is notified in writing of the State's acceptance of the bidder's terms and conditions.
- III. The statutes, laws or codes cited are available for review at the New Jersey State Library, 185 West State Street, Trenton, New Jersey 08625.
- IV. If awarded a contract or purchase agreement, the bidder's status shall be that of any independent principal and not as an employee of the State.

1. STATE LAW REQUIRING MANDATORY COMPLIANCE BY ALL CONTRACTORS

- 1.1 **BUSINESS REGISTRATION** – All New Jersey and out of State business organizations must obtain a Business Registration Certificate (BRC) from the Department of the Treasury, Division of Revenue prior to conducting business with the State of New Jersey. "Business organization" means an individual, partnership, association, joint stock company, trust, corporation, or other legal business entity or successor thereof. Proof of valid business registration shall be submitted by a bidder with its bid proposal. No contract will be awarded without proof of business registration with the Division of Revenue. Any questions in this regard can be directed to the Division of Revenue at (609) 292-1730. Form NJ-REG. can be filed online at <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/gettingregistered.htm#busentity>
- 1.2 **ANTI-DISCRIMINATION** - All parties to any contract with the State of New Jersey agree not to discriminate in employment and agree to abide by all anti-discrimination laws including those contained within N.J.S.A. 10:2-1 through N.J.S.A. 10:2-4, N.J.S.A.10:5-1 et seq. and N.J.S.A.10:5-31 through 10:5-38, and all rules and regulations issued there under.
- 1.3 **PREVAILING WAGE ACT** - The New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, N.J.S.A. 34: 11-56.26 et seq. is hereby made part of every contract entered into on behalf of the State of New Jersey through the Division of Purchase and Property, except those contracts which are not within the contemplation of the Act. The bidder's signature on this proposal is his guarantee that neither he nor any subcontractors he might employ to perform the work covered by this proposal has been suspended or debarred by the Commissioner, Department of Labor for violation of the provisions of the Prevailing Wage Act.
- 1.4 **AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT** - The contractor must comply with all provisions of the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA), P.L 101-336, in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.
- 1.5 **THE WORKER AND COMMUNITY RIGHT TO KNOW ACT** - The provisions of N.J.S.A. 34:5A-1 et seq. which require the labeling of all containers of hazardous substances are applicable to this contract. Therefore, all goods offered for purchase to the State must be labeled by the contractor in compliance with the provisions of the Act.
- 1.6 **OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE** - Contracts for any work, goods or services cannot be issued to any corporation or partnership unless prior to or at the time of bid submission the bidder has disclosed the names and addresses of all its owners holding 10% or more of the corporation or partnership's stock or interest. Refer to N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2.
- 1.7 **COMPLIANCE - LAWS** - The contractor must comply with all local, state and federal laws, rules and regulations applicable to this contract and to the goods delivered and/or services performed hereunder.
- 1.8 **COMPLIANCE - STATE LAWS** - It is agreed and understood that any contracts and/or orders placed as a result of this proposal shall be governed and construed and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto shall be determined in accordance with the laws of the STATE OF NEW JERSEY.
- 1.9 **COMPLIANCE - CODES** - The contractor must comply with NJUCC and the latest NEC70, B.O.C.A. Basic Building code, OSHA and all applicable codes for this requirement. The contractor will be responsible for securing and paying all necessary permits, where applicable.

2. LIABILITIES

- 2.1 LIABILITY - COPYRIGHT** - The contractor shall hold and save the State of New Jersey, its officers, agents, servants and employees, harmless from liability of any nature or kind for or on account of the use of any copyrighted or uncopyrighted composition, secret process, patented or unpatented invention, article or appliance furnished or used in the performance of his contract.
- 2.2 INDEMNIFICATION** - The contractor shall assume all risk of and responsibility for, and agrees to indemnify, defend, and save harmless the State of New Jersey and its employees from and against any and all claims, demands, suits, actions, recoveries, judgments and costs and expenses in connection therewith on account of the loss of life, property or injury or damage to the person, body or property of any person or persons whatsoever, which shall arise from or result directly or indirectly from the work and/or materials supplied under this contract. This indemnification obligation is not limited by, but is in addition to the insurance obligations contained in this agreement.
- 2.3 INSURANCE** - The contractor shall secure and maintain in force for the term of the contract liability insurance as provided herein. The Contractor shall provide the State with current certificates of insurance for all coverages and renewals thereof, naming the State as an additional insured and which must contain the proviso that the insurance provided in the certificate shall not be canceled for any reason except after thirty days written notice to:

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The insurance to be provided by the contractor shall be as follows:

- a. a Commercial General Liability policy as broad as the standard coverage forms in use in the State of New Jersey which shall not be circumscribed by any endorsements limiting the breadth of coverage.

The limits of liability for bodily injury and property damage shall not be less than \$1 million per occurrence as a combined single limit.

- b. Automobile liability insurance which shall be written to cover any automobile used by the insured. Limits of liability for bodily injury and property damage shall not be less than \$1 million per occurrence as a combined single limit.
- c. Worker's Compensation Insurance applicable to the laws of the State of New Jersey and Employers Liability Insurance with limits not less than:

\$1,000,000 BODILY INJURY, EACH OCCURRENCE
\$1,000,000 DISEASE EACH EMPLOYEE
\$1,000,000 DISEASE AGGREGATE LIMIT

3. TERMS GOVERNING ALL PROPOSALS TO NEW JERSEY PURCHASE BUREAU

- 3.1 CONTRACT AMOUNT** - The estimated amount of the contract(s), when stated on the Advertised Request for Proposal form, shall not be construed as either the maximum or minimum amount which the State shall be obliged to order as the result of this Request for Proposal or any contract entered into as a result of this Request for Proposal.
- 3.2 CONTRACT PERIOD AND EXTENSION OPTION** - If, in the opinion of the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property, it is in the best interest of the State to extend an contract entered into as a result of this Request for Proposal, the contractor will be so notified of the Director's Intent at least 30 days prior to the expiration date of the existing contract. The contractor shall have 15 calendar days to respond to the Director's request to extend the contract. If the contractor agrees to the extension, all terms and conditions of the original contract, including price, will be applicable.
- 3.3 BID AND PERFORMANCE SECURITY**

- a. Bid Security - If bid security is required, such security must be submitted with the bid in the amount listed in the Request for Proposal, see N.J.A.C. 17: 12- 2.4. Acceptable forms of bid security are as follows:
1. A properly executed individual or annual bid bond issued by an insurance or security company authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey, a certified or cashier's check drawn to the order of the Treasurer, State of New Jersey, or an irrevocable letter of credit drawn naming the Treasurer, State of New Jersey as beneficiary issued by a federally insured financial institution.
 2. The State will hold all bid security during the evaluation process. As soon as is practicable after the completion of the evaluation, the State will:
 - a. Issue an award notice for those offers accepted by the State;
 - b. Return all bond securities to those who have not been issued an award notice.

All bid security from contractors who have been issued an award notice shall be held until the successful execution of all required contractual documents and bonds (performance bond, insurance, etc. If the contractor fails to execute the required contractual documents and bonds within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of award notice, the contractor may be found in default and the contract terminated by the State. In case of default, the State reserves all rights inclusive of, but not limited to, the right to purchase material and/or to complete the required work in accordance with the New Jersey Administrative Code and to recover any actual excess costs from the contractor. Collection against the bid security shall be one of the measures available toward the recovery of any excess costs.

- b. Performance Security - If performance security is required, the successful bidder shall furnish performance security in such amount on any award of a term contractor line item purchase, see N.J.A.C. 17: 12- 2.5. Acceptable forms of performance security are as follows:
 - 1. The contractor shall be required to furnish an irrevocable security in the amount listed in the Request for Proposal payable to the Treasurer, State of New Jersey, binding the contractor to provide faithful performance of the contract.
 - 2. The performance security shall be in the form of a properly executed individual or annual performance bond issued by an insurance or security company authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey, a certified or cashier's check drawn to the order of the Treasurer, State of New Jersey, or an irrevocable letter of credit drawn naming the Treasurer, State of New Jersey as beneficiary issued by a federally insured financial institution.

The Performance Security must be submitted to the State within 30 days of the effective date of the contract award and cover the period of the contract and any extensions thereof. Failure to submit performance security may result in cancellation of contract for cause pursuant to provision 3.5b,1, and nonpayment for work performed.

- 3.4 **VENDOR RIGHT TO PROTEST - INTENT TO AWARD** - Except in cases of emergency, bidders have the right to protest the Director's proposed award of the contract as announced in the Notice of Intent to Award, see N.J.A.C. 17:12-3.3. Unless otherwise stated, a bidder's protest must be submitted to the Director within 10 working days after receipt of written notification that his bid has not been accepted or that an award of contract has been made. In the public interest, the Director may shorten this protest period, but shall provide at least 48 hours for bidders to respond to a proposed award. In cases of emergency, stated in the record, the Director may waive the appeal period. See N.J.A.C. 17: 12- 3 et seq.

3.5 **TERMINATION OF CONTRACT**

- a. For Convenience

Notwithstanding any provision or language in this contract to the contrary, the Director may terminate at any time, in whole or in part, any contract entered into as a result of this Request for Proposal for the convenience of the State, upon no less than 30 days written notice to the contractor.

- b. For cause:
 - 1. Where a contractor fails to perform or comply with a contract, and/or fails to comply with the complaints procedure in N.J.A.C. 17: 12-4.2 et seq., the Director may terminate the contract upon 10 days notice to the contractor with an opportunity to respond.
 - 2. Where a contractor continues to perform a contract poorly as demonstrated by formal complaints, late delivery, poor performance of service, short-shipping etc., so that the Director is repeatedly required to use the complaints procedure in N.J.A.C. 17:12-4.2 et seq. the Director may terminate the contract upon 10 days notice to the contractor with an opportunity to respond.
- c. In cases of emergency the Director may shorten the time periods of notification and may dispense with an opportunity to respond.
- d. In the event of termination under this section, the contractor will be compensated for work performed in accordance with the contract, up to the date of termination. Such compensation may be subject to adjustments.

- 3.6 **COMPLAINTS** - Where a bidder has a history of performance problems as demonstrated by formal complaints and/or contract cancellations for cause pursuant to 3.5b a bidder may be bypassed for this award. See N.J.A.C. 17:12-2.8.

- 3.7 **EXTENSION OF CONTRACT QUASI-STATE AGENCIES** - It is understood and agreed that in addition to State Agencies, Quasi-State Agencies may also participate in this contract. Quasi-State Agencies are defined in N.J.S.A. 52:27B-56.1 as any agency, commission, board, authority or other such governmental entity which is established and is allocated to a State department or any bi-state governmental entity of which the State of New Jersey is a member.

- 3.8 **EXTENSION OF CONTRACTS TO POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND FIRST AID SQUADS, AND INDEPENDENT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION - N.J.S.A. 52:25-16.1** permits counties, municipalities and school districts to participate in any term contract(s), that may be established as a result of this proposal.

N.J.S.A. 52:25-16.2 permits volunteer fire departments, volunteer first aid squads and rescue squads to participate in any term contract(s) that may be established as a result of this proposal.

N.J.S.A. 52:25-16.5 permits independent institutions of higher education to participate in any term contract(s) that may be established as a result of this proposal, provided that each purchase by the Independent Institution of higher education shall have a minimum cost of \$500.

In order for the State contract to be extended to counties, municipalities, school districts, volunteer fire departments, first aid squads and independent institutions of higher education the bidder must agree to the extension and so state in his bid proposal. The extension to counties municipalities, school districts, volunteer fire departments, first aid squads and Independent Institutions of higher education must be under the same terms and conditions, including price, applicable to the State.

3.9 EXTENSIONS OF CONTRACTS TO COUNTY COLLEGES - N.J.S.A. 18A:64A - 25. 9 permits any college to participate in any term contract(s) that may be established as a result of this proposal.

3.10 EXTENSIONS OF CONTRACTS TO STATE COLLEGES - N.J.S.A. 18A:64- 60 permits any State College to participate in any term contract(s) that may be established as a result of this proposal.

3.11 SUBCONTRACTING OR ASSIGNMENT - The contract may not be subcontracted or assigned by the contractor, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of the Director of the Division of Purchase and Property. Such consent, if granted, shall not relieve the contractor of any of his responsibilities under the contract.

In the event the bidder proposes to subcontract for the services to be performed under the terms of the contract award, he shall state so in his bid and attach for approval a list of said subcontractors and an Itemization of the products and/or services to be supplied by them.

Nothing contained in the specifications shall be construed as creating any contractual relationship between any subcontractor and the State.

3.12 MERGERS, ACQUISITIONS - If, subsequent to the award of any contract resulting from this Request for Proposal, the contractor shall merge with or be acquired by another firm, the following documents must be submitted to the Director, Division of Purchase & Property.

- a. Corporate resolutions prepared by the awarded contractor and new entity ratifying acceptance of the original contract, terms, conditions and prices.
- b. State of New Jersey Bidders Application reflecting all updated information including ownership disclosure, pursuant to provision 1.5.
- c. Vendor Federal Employer Identification Number.

The documents must be submitted within thirty (30) days of completion of the merger or acquisition. Failure to do so may result in termination of contract pursuant to provision 3.5b.

If subsequent to the award of any contract resulting from this Request for Proposal, the contractor's partnership or corporation shall dissolve, the Director, Division of Purchase & Property must be so notified. All responsible parties of the dissolved partnership or corporation must submit to the Director in writing, the names of the parties proposed to perform the contract, and the names of the parties to whom payment should be made. No payment should be made until all parties to the dissolved partnership or corporation submit the required documents to the Director.

3.13 PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE OF BIDDER - The bidder hereby certifies that:

- a. The equipment offered is standard new equipment, and is the manufacturer's latest model in production, with parts regularly used for the type of equipment offered; that such parts are all in production and not likely to be discontinued; and that no attachment or part has been substituted or applied contrary to manufacturer's recommendations and standard practice.
- b. All equipment supplied to the State and operated by electrical current is UL listed where applicable.
- c. All new machines are to be guaranteed as fully operational for the period stated in the Request For Proposal from time of written acceptance by the State. The bidder will render prompt service without charge, regardless of geographic location.
- d. Sufficient quantities of parts necessary for proper service to equipment will be maintained at distribution points and service headquarters.

- e. Trained mechanics are regularly employed to make necessary repairs to equipment in the territory from which the service request might emanate within a 48-hour period or within the time accepted as industry practice.
- f. During the warranty period the contractor shall replace immediately any material which is rejected for failure to meet the requirements of the contract.
- g. All services rendered to the State shall be performed in strict and full accordance with the specifications stated in the contract. The contract shall not be considered complete until final approval by the State's using agency is rendered.

3.14 DELIVERY GUARANTEES - Deliveries shall be made at such time and in such quantities as ordered in strict accordance with conditions contained in the Request for Proposal.

The contractor shall be responsible for the delivery of material in first class condition to the State's using agency or the purchaser under this contract and in accordance with good commercial practice.

Items delivered must be strictly in accordance with the Request for Proposal.

In the event delivery of goods or services is not made within the number of days stipulated or under the schedule defined in the Request for Proposal, the using agency may be authorized to obtain the material or service from any available source, the difference in price, if any, to be paid by the contractor failing to meet his commitments.

3.15 DIRECTOR'S RIGHT OF FINAL BID ACCEPTANCE - The Director reserves the right to reject any or all bids, or to award in whole or in part if deemed to be in the best interest of the State to do so. The Director shall have authority to award orders or contracts to the vendor or vendors best meeting all specifications and conditions in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:34-12. Tie bids will be awarded by the Director in accordance with N.J.A.C.17:12-2.1D.

3.16 BID ACCEPTANCES AND REJECTIONS - The provisions of N.J.A.C. 17:12-2.9, relating to the Director's right, to waive minor elements of non-compliance with bid specifications and N.J.A.C. 17: 12- 2.2 which defines causes for automatic bid rejection, apply to all proposals and bids.

3.17 STATE'S RIGHT TO INSPECT BIDDER'S FACILITIES - The State reserves the right to inspect the bidder's establishment before making an award, for the purposes of ascertaining whether the bidder has the necessary facilities for performing the contract.

The State may also consult with clients of the bidder during the evaluation of bids. Such consultation is intended to assist the State in making a contract award which is most advantageous to the State.

3.18 STATE'S RIGHT TO REQUEST FURTHER INFORMATION - The Director reserves the right to request all information which may assist him or her in making a contract award, including factors necessary to evaluate the, bidder s financial capabilities to perform the contract. Further, the Director reserves the right to request a bidder to explain, in detail, how the bid price was determined.

3.19 MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS - The contractor shall maintain records for products and/or services delivered against the contract for a period of three (3) years from the date of final payment. Such records shall be made available to the, State upon request for purposes of conducting an audit or for ascertaining information regarding dollar volume or number of transactions.

4. TERMS RELATING TO PRICE QUOTATION

4.1 PRICE FLUCTUATION DURING CONTRACT - Unless otherwise noted by the State, all prices quoted shall be firm through issuance of contract or purchase order and shall not be subject to increase during the period of the contract.

In the event of a manufacturer's or contractor's price decrease during the contract period, the State shall receive the full benefit of such price reduction on any undelivered purchase order and on any subsequent order placed during the contract period. The Director of Purchase and Property must be notified, in writing, of any price reduction within five (5) days of the effective date.

Failure to report price reductions will result in cancellation of contract for cause, pursuant to provision 3.5b.1.

4.2 DELIVERY COSTS - Unless otherwise noted in the Request for Proposal, all prices for items in bid proposals are to be submitted F.O.B. Destination. Proposals submitted other than F.O.B. Destination may not be considered. Regardless of the method of quoting shipments, the contractor shall assume all costs, liability and responsibility for the delivery of merchandise in good condition to the State's using agency or designated purchaser.

F.O.B. Destination does not cover "spotting" but does include delivery on the receiving platform of the ordering agency at any destination in the State of New Jersey unless otherwise specified. No additional charges will be allowed for any additional transportation costs resulting from partial shipments made at contractor's convenience when a single shipment is ordered. The weights and measures of the State's using agency receiving the shipment shall govern.

- 4.3 C.O.D. TERMS** - C.O.D. terms are not acceptable as part of a bid proposal and will be cause for rejection of a bid.
- 4.4 TAX CHARGES** - The State of New Jersey is exempt from State sales or use taxes and Federal excise taxes. Therefore, price quotations must not include such taxes. The State's Federal Excise Tax Exemption number is 22-75-0050K.
- 4.5 PAYMENT TO VENDORS** - Payment for goods and/or services purchased by the State will only be made against State Payment Vouchers. The State bill form in duplicate together with the original Bill of Lading, express receipt and other related papers must be sent to the consignee on the date of each delivery. Responsibility for payment rests with the using agency which will ascertain that the contractor has performed in a proper and satisfactory manner in accordance with the terms and conditions of the award. Payment will not be made until the using agency has approved payment.

For every contract the term of which spans more than one fiscal year, the State's obligation to make payment beyond the current fiscal year is contingent upon legislative appropriation and availability of funds.

The State of New Jersey now offers State contractors the opportunity to be paid through the MasterCard procurement card (p-card). A contractor's acceptance and a State Agency's use of the p-card, however, is optional. P-card transactions do not require the submission of either a contractor invoice or a State payment voucher. Purchasing transactions utilizing the p-card will usually result in payment to a contractor in three days. A Contractor should take note that there will be a transaction processing fee for each p-card transaction. To participate, a contractor must be capable of accepting MasterCard. For more information, call your bank or any merchant services company.

- 4.6 NEW JERSEY PROMPT PAYMENT ACT** - The New Jersey Prompt Payment Act N.J.S.A. 52:32-32 et seq. requires state agencies to pay for goods and services within sixty (60) days of the agency's receipt of a properly executed State Payment Voucher or within sixty (60) days of receipt and acceptance of goods and services, whichever is later. Properly executed performance security, when required, must be received by the state prior to processing any payments for goods and services accepted by state agencies. Interest will be paid on delinquent accounts at a rate established by the State Treasurer. Interest will not be paid until it exceeds \$5.00 per properly executed invoice.

Cash discounts and other payment terms included as part of the original agreement are not affected by the Prompt Payment Act.

- 4.7 RECIPROCITY** - In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:32-1.4 and N.J.A.C. 17: 12- 2. 13, the State of New Jersey will invoke reciprocal action against an out-of-State bidder whose state or locality maintains a preference practice for their bidders.
- 5. CASH DISCOUNTS** - Bidders are encouraged to offer cash discounts based on expedited payment by the State. The State will make efforts to take advantage of discounts, but discounts will not be considered in determining the lowest bid.
- a. Discount periods shall be calculated starting from the next business day after the recipient has accepted the goods or services received a properly signed and executed State Payment Voucher form and, when required, a properly executed performance security, whichever is latest.
 - b. The date on the check issued by the State in payment of that Voucher shall be deemed the date of the State's response to that Voucher.
- 6. STANDARDS PROHIBITING CONFLICTS OF INTEREST** - The following prohibitions on vendor activities shall apply to all contracts or purchase agreements made with the State of New Jersey, pursuant to Executive Order No. 189 (1988).
- a. No vendor shall pay, offer to pay, or agree to pay, either directly or indirectly, any fee, commission, compensation, gift, gratuity, or other thing of value of any kind to any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee, as defined by N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13b and e., in the Department of the Treasury or any other agency with which such vendor transacts or offers or proposes to transact business, or to any member of the immediate family, as defined by N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13i., of any such officer or employee, or partnership, firm or corporation with which they are employed or associated, or in which such officer or employee has an interest within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 52: 13D-13g.
 - b. The solicitation of any fee, commission, compensation, gift, gratuity or other thing of value by any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee from any State vendor shall be reported in writing forthwith by the vendor to the Attorney General and the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards.
 - c. No vendor may, directly or indirectly, undertake any private business, commercial or entrepreneurial relationship with, whether or not pursuant to employment, contract or other agreement, express or implied, or sell any interest in such vendor to, any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee or special State officer or employee having any duties or responsibilities in connection with the purchase, acquisition or sale of any property or services by or to any State agency or any instrumentality thereof, or with any person, firm or entity with which he is employed or associated or in which he has an interest within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 52: 130-13g. Any relationships subject to this provision shall be reported in writing forthwith to the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards, which may grant a waiver of this restriction upon application of the State officer or employee or special State officer or employee upon a finding that the present or proposed relationship does not present the potential, actuality or appearance of a conflict of interest.

- d. No vendor shall influence, or attempt to influence or cause to be influenced, any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee in his official capacity in any manner which might tend to impair the objectivity or independence of judgment of said officer or employee.
- e. No vendor shall cause or influence, or attempt to cause or influence, any State officer or employee or special State officer or employee to use, or attempt to use, his official position to secure unwarranted privileges or advantages for the vendor or any other person.
- f. The provisions cited above in paragraph 6a through 6e shall not be construed to prohibit a State officer or employee or Special State officer or employee from receiving gifts from or contracting with vendors under the same terms and conditions as are offered or made available to members of the general public subject to any guidelines the Executive Commission on Ethical Standards may promulgate under paragraph 6c.

APPENDIX 2 - SET-OFF FOR STATE TAX NOTICE

NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS **SET-OFF FOR STATE TAX NOTICE**

Please be advised that, pursuant to P.L. 1995, c. 159, effective January 1, 1996, and notwithstanding any provision of the law to the contrary, whenever any taxpayer, partnership or S corporation under contract to provide goods or services or construction projects to the State of New Jersey or its agencies or instrumentalities, including the legislative and judicial branches of State government, is entitled to payment for those goods or services at the same time a taxpayer, partner or shareholder of that entity is indebted for any State tax, the Director of the Division of Taxation shall seek to set off that taxpayer's or shareholder's share of the payment due the taxpayer, partnership, or S corporation. The amount set off shall not allow for the deduction of any expenses or other deductions which might be attributable to the taxpayer, partner or shareholder subject to set-off under this act.

The Director of the Division of Taxation shall give notice to the set-off to the taxpayer and provide an opportunity for a hearing within 30 days of such notice under the procedures for protests established under R.S. 54:49-18. No requests for conference, protest, or subsequent appeal to the Tax Court from any protest under this section shall stay the collection of the indebtedness. Interest that may be payable by the State, pursuant to P.L. 1987, c.184 (c.52:32-32 et seq.), to the taxpayer shall be stayed.

APPENDIX 3 – EXECUTIVE ORDER 134 CERTIFICATION

Effective October 15, 2004
Executive Order 134 Certification

Bidder: _____

Solicitation Number: _____

For the purpose of this Certification:

“Business Entity” - means any natural or legal person, business corporation, professional services corporation, limited liability company, partnership, limited partnership, business trust, association or any other legal commercial entity organized under the laws of New Jersey or any other state or foreign jurisdiction. It also includes (i) all principals who own or control more than 10 percent of the profits or assets of a business entity or 10 percent of the stock in the case of a business entity that is a corporation for profit, as appropriate; (ii) any subsidiaries directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity; (iii) any political organization organized under 26 U.S.C.A. § 527 that is directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity, other than a candidate committee, election fund, or political party committee; and (iv) if a business entity is a natural person, that person’s spouse or child, residing in the same household. A separate certification is required for each person or organization defined above as a Business Entity.

“Contribution” – means a Contribution reportable by the recipient under the “New Jersey Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Reporting Act,” P.L. 1973, c.83 (C.19:44A-1 et seq.), and implementing regulations set forth at N.J.A.C. 19:25-10.1 et seq. Currently, Contributions in an amount in excess of \$400 during a reporting period are deemed “reportable” under these laws.

As of January 1, 2005, that threshold will be reduced to Contributions in excess of \$300.

I hereby certify as follows:

1. Commencing on and after October 15, 2004, the below named person, company or organization has not solicited or made any Contribution of money, pledge of Contribution, including in-kind Contributions, as set forth below that would bar the award of a contract to the Bidder, pursuant to the terms of Executive Order 134, signed by Governor James E. McGreevey on September 22, 2004 (hereafter “E.O. 134”).

a) Within the 18 months (from October 15, 2004) immediately preceding the Solicitation, the Business Entity has not made a Contribution to:

- (i) Any candidate committee and/or election fund of any candidate for or current holder of the public office of Governor; or
- (ii) Any State or county political party committee

b. Effective October 15, 2004, during the term of office of the current Governor, the Business Entity has not made a Contribution to

- (i) Any candidate committee and/or election fund of the Governor; or
- (ii) Any State or county political party committee nominating such Governor in the election preceding the commencement of said Governor's term.

c) Effective October 15, 2004, within the 18 months immediately preceding the last day of the term of office of the Governor, the Business Entity has not made a Contribution to

- (i) Any candidate committee and/or election fund of the Governor; or
- (ii) Any State or County political party committee of the political party nominating such Governor in the last gubernatorial election preceding the election. In the event such a Contribution has been made, the Business Entity will be barred from receiving the award of a contract throughout the remaining term of the current Governor and the full term of the next Governor.

2. If the Bidder is awarded a contract pursuant to the solicitation for this bid proposal, the below-named person or organization will, on a continuing basis, continue to report any Contributions it makes during the term of the contract, and any extension(s) thereof.
3. This certification is submitted to the Division of Purchase and Property (the "Division") in order to induce the Division to accept the Bidder's bid proposal, with knowledge that the Division is relying on the truth of the statements contained herein, and that compliance with EO 134 is a material term of any contract awarded pursuant to the solicitation for this bid proposal.

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing statements by me are true. I am aware that if any of the statements are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

Company or Organization: _____

By: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

Relationship to Contractor (check one):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Officer or other authorized representative | <input type="checkbox"/> Principal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Political Organization | <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse or child |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Subsidiary | |

APPENDIX 4 – DISCLOSURE OF POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Effective October 15, 2004
Disclosure of Political Contributions

Bidder: _____

Solicitation Number: _____

Pursuant to Executive Order #134 (“EO 134”) promulgated by the Honorable James E. McGreevey, Governor of New Jersey, all business entities with which the State intends to contract are required to disclose all Contributions in excess of \$400 (N.J.A.C. 19:25-10(1), et seq.) (in excess of \$300 as of January 1, 2005) from October 15, 2004, through the date of signing of this disclosure, to any entity designated and organized as a “political organization” under 26 U.S.C.A. § 527, that is also defined as a “continuing political committee” under N.J.S.A. 19:44A-3(n) and N.J.A.C. 19:25-1.7. Such an entity is identified in the chart below as a “Political Committee.” **Indicate “none” if no Contributions are being declared.**

A separate Disclosure must be submitted by each of the following, defined as a “Business Entity” under EO 134:

- (i) a Business Entity submitting a Disclosure on its own behalf;
- (ii) all principals who own or control more than 10 percent of the profits or assets of a business entity or 10 percent of the stock in the case of a business entity that is a corporation for profit;
- (iii) any subsidiaries directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity;
- (iv) any political organization organized under section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code that is directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity, other than a candidate committee, election fund, or political party committee; or
- (v) if a business entity is a natural person, that person's spouse or child, living at the same address.

Name of Political Committee	Date of Contribution	Amount of Contribution	Type of Contribution i.e., Cash, Check, Loan, In Kind	Purpose of Political Committee

This certification is submitted to the Division of Purchase and Property (the “Division”) in order to induce the Division to accept the Bidder’s bid proposal, with knowledge that the Division is relying on the truth of the statements contained herein.

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing statements by me are true. I am aware that if any of the statements are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

Company or Organization: _____

By: _____

Title: _____

Print Name: _____

Date: _____

Relationship to Contractor (check one):

☐ Officer or other authorized representative

☐ Principal

☐ Political Organization

☐ Subsidiary

☐ Spouse or child

APPENDIX 5 – CONTINUING DISCLOSURE OF POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS**Effective October 15, 2004****Continuing Disclosure of Political Contributions****Bidder:** _____**Solicitation Number:** _____

Pursuant to Executive Order #134 ("EO 134") promulgated by the Honorable James E. McGreevey, Governor of New Jersey, all business entities with which the State intends to contract are required to disclose all Contributions in excess of \$400 (N.J.A.C. 19:25-10(1), et seq.) (in excess of \$300 as of January 1, 2005) from October 15, 2004 through the date of signing of this disclosure, to any entity designated and organized as a "political organization" under 26 U.S.C.A. § 527, that is also defined as a "continuing political committee" under N.J.S.A. 19:44A-3(n) and N.J.A.C. 19:25-1.7. Such an entity is identified in the chart below as a "Political Committee." **Indicate "none" if no Contributions are being declared.**

A separate Disclosure must be submitted by each of the following, defined as a "Business Entity" under EO 134:

- (i) a Business Entity submitting a Disclosure on its own behalf;
- (ii) all principals who own or control more than 10 percent of the profits or assets of a business entity or 10 percent of the stock in the case of a business entity that is a corporation for profit;
- (iii) any subsidiaries directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity;
- (iv) any political organization organized under section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code that is directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity, other than a candidate committee, election fund, or political party committee; or
- (v) if a business entity is a natural person, that person's spouse or child, living at the same address.

Name of Political Committee	Date of Contribution	Amount of Contribution	Type of Contribution i.e., Cash, Check, Loan, In Kind	Purpose of Political Committee
Pertaining to Disclosure of Political Contributions to: any candidate committee and/or election fund of any candidate for or current holder of the public office of Governor; and any State or county political party committee Indicate "none" if no Contributions are being declared.				
Name of Committee or Fund	Date of Contribution	Amount of Contribution	Type of Contribution i.e., Cash, Check, Loan, In Kind	

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing statements by me are true. I am aware that if any of the statements are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

Company or Organization: _____**By:** _____**Title:** _____**Print Name:** _____**Date:** _____**Relationship to Contractor (check one):**☐ Officer or other authorized representative☐ Principal☐ Political Organization☐ Subsidiary☐ Spouse or child

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